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MANTON SHOOTING AFFAIR.

Trial of Mrs. Xavier at Magistracy.

AMENDED CHARGE.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the trial was commenced of Mrs. Jesuina Maria Xavier, who was originally charged with the attempted murder of Mr. Alfred Joseph Manton, at 375, Lockhart Road, Vancou, on Saturday, December 27, 1930, by firing at him with a revolver.

Mr. H. Somerset Filroy (Public Prosecutor) appeared for the Crown, and handed in a charge of malicious intent to maim, disfigure or disable Mr. Manton, in substitution of the former charge of attempted murder.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson is conducting the defence, whilst Mr. D. L. Strellett is watching the proceedings on behalf of the complainant.

Accused was allowed to be seated in the dock.

Opening the case, Mr. Filroy said that Mr. Manton and accused had lived together at 375, Lockhart Road, second floor, on December 27, the accused saw Mr. Manton and she fired him three shots, all of which took effect.

Parting of the Ways.

The accused and Manton had been living together for six years as man and wife, when they came to the parting of the ways. The woman was evidently in a highly-strung condition, so she went to Kowloon and got a revolver from her brother-in-law's house.

Giving evidence, Mr. A. J. Manton said that he was a Traffic Inspector of the Hong Kong Tramways, and lived with accused at 375, Lockhart Road. There was another male boarder living on the floor above. On the day in question witness returned home for tiffin at five minutes to one o'clock. Witness said: "Accused came out from the kitchen and sat down at the table. Accused came and stood by the table and told me that she had been out to make her arrangements and said: 'My brothers and sisters are going to look after me.' I replied: 'That is very kind of them.' She also said: 'About the \$50 you allowed me, I don't know it. I replied: 'All right' and she then asked me 'Do you want your tiffin now?' I replied 'Yes, please.' She called the amah, who was in the kitchen, and at the same time she went toward the kitchen and I saw her reach out and turn back with a plate of fish. She put the plate in front of me on the table and walked into, as I thought, the bedroom which was behind me."

Three Shots Fired.

"As I reached out with the knife and fork to eat, I heard two shots go off rapidly behind me, a slight pause, and then another one. I couldn't realise that I had been hit by the first two shots, but the third I felt burn my left arm. I jumped up and turned round and saw the accused crouching away from me toward the bedroom, with a revolver in her left hand. The muzzle was pointing upward. I rushed at her and took the revolver from her, and then I found that I was bleeding from the right arm, and called the amah. She came and I told her to fetch a policeman."

"I made my way to the No. 2 Police Station and gave the revolver to Sergeant Hynes. I stayed in the station until the ambulance arrived and took me to the Government Civil Hospital, where I found that I had been shot in three places."

Mr. Fitzroy—Any reason why the accused should do this?

Mr. Manton—Not that I know of.

Proposed to Separate.

What did you propose to do?—I proposed to separate from her and she told me that she was satisfied and had made her arrangements.

The Magistrate—I gather that you have been living with her for six years.

And by this time you have agreed to separate?—Yes.

Had you any idea that she bore any ill-will on that account?—I

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London, Yesterday. The Financial Times states that the sale of 100,000 tons of Russian sugar to the East in one contract has been effected through the intermediary of London sugar brokers. The sugar was placed with one buyer in order to avoid any disturbance to Eastern markets, thus minimising any adverse effect on the final accomplishment of the Chadbourne Plan.—Reuter.

don't think so. She seemed quite satisfied.

Mr. Hodgson—I think that when you first took this lady to live with you she was then living with her husband.—No.

She had left him?—I was given to understand that she had left him for a number of years.

Do you know whether he is still in the Colony? Yes.

Alleged Gambling Passion. During your time with this woman have your two lives been tolerably happy?—Yes, tolerably happy, except that I continually kept scolding her for neglecting the house by going out gambling.

Was that one of the reasons that you eventually decided to part from her?—That was one of the reasons. She was fond of you?—Yes; I think so.

When did you first approach her on the subject of parting from her?—The first six months of living with her.

Have you at other times since then mentioned the matter to her?—At least once in every three months.

And had she—the fact that she stayed—certain entreaties to keep?—Yes, to knock off gambling and look after the house.

Until you finally gave her to understand that you really wanted to leave her.—Yes.

When was that?—Between December 2 and 4.

And between December 2 and 4 and December 27 I suppose you had several conversations about the matter?—Once only.

When was that?—On the night of December 5 or 6.

I think you offered her \$50 a month and half of your furniture and that she could make her own arrangements?—Yes, she could have any of my furniture she required.

I think that she latterly was somewhat upset.—She appeared not to be so bright as she usually was.

Kept Mouth Closed. She was brooding over it.—She may have been brooding over it, but she did not show it. She kept her mouth closed.

You have, during your life with her, been very good to her?—Yes. I take it that you can say that you know of no reason whatever that she should shoot you or harm you at all?—No reason at all.

Has she ever threatened to do you any harm?—No; never.

Can you say that you have had serious quarrels with her during your life together?—No.

Just the tiff the ordinary married couple would have?—Yes.

And she bore you no ill-will at all?—No.

No Facial Expression. Counsel then asked witness to take his mind back to December 27, when he was at table about to have tiffin, and try to recollect the scene. Mr. Hodgson asked: "Was there not an expression on her face that would suggest to you horror, fright or surprise?" In referring to the shooting incident.

He went on to disclose his defence, and said that the shooting was an accident, that Mrs. Xavier did not want to fire at Mr. Manton, and that she wanted to shoot her self in front of him.

Witness replied that he did not notice any expression in accused's face, and added that the only thing he did was to dive for the revolver.

Mr. Hodgson—Why did you dive for it?—I did not know what was going to happen next. She might have shot herself and she might have shot at me again.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

SHARPSHOOTER COMMENDED.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

General.

Revolver Practice.—There will be no revolver practice at the Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday.

Police Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company, and of the Flying Squad who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp under P. Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress—Blue uniform, cap with white cover; belt (with-out frog), truncheon, whistle, arm-let and badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried.

Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officers will make it a point of being present. Probationers will attend.

Indian Company.

No drill parade of the Indian Company will be held during the period February 1 to March 3.

Flying Squad.

Strength.—Constable R352 Sun Wah-sang has been taken on the Flying Squad, and posted to the Hong Kong Section as from January 31.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Central Police Station for squad drill on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-morrow. Fall in at Tsim-tai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Promotion.—Constables R405 B. P. C. Fletcher and R414 R. P. Dunlop have been promoted to the rank of Lance Sergeants with effect from January 29.

Commendation.—Constable R428 J. A. Bendall of the Sharpshooters' Company, is commended by the Hon. I. G. P. for zeal and alertness on January 3 in arresting Cheung Wai who was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour and 20 strokes with the birch for larceny.

Miniature Range Practice.—The Company Rifle Club will hold the usual practice on Thursday at 5.15 p.m. This will take the form of a spoon shoot.

Rifle Practice.—The Rifle Practice postponed unavoidably from yesterday on Stonecutters Range will take place on Sunday next at the same time. A launch will leave Blake Pier at 2 p.m. Uniform optional.

(Sgd.) D. L. King,

D. S. P. (R)

Hong Kong, February 2, 1931.

REUTER WRONG!

AIMEE MACPHERSON NOT COMING TO THE EAST.

Shanghai, To-day. A telegram from New York on Saturday stated that the well-known evangelist, Aimee MacPherson and her daughter Roberta had left Honolulu that day for Shanghai aboard the s.s. President Wilson. It added that Mrs. MacPherson was travelling under the name of Mrs. Poate.

There has been a complete misunderstanding here. Mrs. Poate and her daughter Isabel, who are aboard the President Wilson, travelling from Honolulu to Shanghai with British passports, are the wife and daughter of a well-known and respected British merchant in Shanghai, and they are in no way connected with Aimee MacPherson.—Reuter.

BURNED ALIVE IN VILLAGE RIOT

Horrible Fate of a Sikh Native Officer.

TROUBLE OVER BEEF.

Rawalpindi, Yesterday. Many persons were killed and wounded and a Sikh jamadaz (native officer) burned alive during a fierce communal rioting in a village 40 miles from here. Hindu and Sikh villagers resented a Moslem cooking beef in a boarding house. He summoned the aid of Moslems from a neighbouring village several hundred of whom arrived and attacked the Sikh village, burned and looted the shops, and threw all the beef of the village into a Hindu temple. A strong force of Police arrived and restored order.—Reuter.

FOGGY AND CLOUDY.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: A depression has formed over the Yangtze Valley and an anti-cyclone is forming over S.E. Mongolia.

Forecast.—S. W. or variable winds; moderate to light; generally cloudy; intermittent fog.

Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 0.32 inch against an average of 1.58.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	59
Macao	58
Pratas Island	72
Manila	68
Foochow	58
Amoy	63
Suntow	68
Chefoo	84
Shanghai	47

ILLICIT DRUGS.

JAPANESE SYSTEM OF CONTROL CRITICISED.

CHINA'S DESIRE.

Geneva, Yesterday. The Opium Committee met to-day to hear Sir Malcolm Delevingne's speech, summing up the present position in the illicit drug traffic. He regretted the slow progress made on the legislative side of the problem and the still slower progress in regard to the introduction of adequate administration.

The Japanese system of control called for certain observations. Fuller information was now coming from China. This was a very valuable and satisfactory development.

Attention should be directed to the chartering of vessels for illicit traffic and the participation of persons enjoying diplomatic immunity therein, and the compilation of an international black list of guilty or suspected firms engaged in the illicit traffic.

Baron Sato hoped that the new regulations to be issued by Japan would prove effective.

Mr. Woo Kai-seng thanked Sir Malcolm Delevingne for his remarks about China, and emphasised that China had given clear evidence of her desire to co-operate in the suppression of the illicit drug traffic.—Reuter.

OFF THE ROCKS.

CHARLES HARDQUIN NOW REFLOATED.

The s.s. Charles Hardquin, (Capt. Wm. Wilson), which went aground on No. 1 Flat Island, which forms the fork passages leading to Whampoa and Tai-shak, last Monday, was successfully refloated on Friday.

Like the Kochow (Capt. Morgan), which stranded near Campbell Island in the West River, the Charles Hardquin sustained no damage. She returned to Hong Kong on Saturday morning and left on her usual run to Canton at 10 o'clock last night.

BANDIT INVASION.

OUTLAW HORDES BESIEGE CHENGKU.

"DEFENCE FORCE."

Peking, Saturday. Chinese reports received in Peking describe the activities of General Wu Pei-fu and certain other Szechuan Generals, who called themselves "The Frontier Defence Force for the Welfare of the Nation."

They are alleged to have recruited large numbers of notorious bandits and entered Shensi as well as Kansu Provinces. They claim to be under General Wu Pei-fu's instructions.

These bandit forces are reported to have occupied several districts near Hanchung and are said to be besieging Chengku. The people of Hanchung have sent out a "circular telegram" in which they implore the National Government for assistance.—Reuter.

ANARCHIST CAUGHT

EXCITING HUNT THROUGH THE STREETS.

HOUSE BESIEGED.

Buenos Aires, Saturday. Digiovanni, the Italian anarchist, was captured after a hunt through the streets, in which he shot a policeman dead, and wounded several other people before attempting suicide.

The Police captured a house in which Digiovanni's band were hiding, after a fight, in the course of which one policeman and two anarchists were killed.—Reuter.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

ELECTIONS FOR CURRENT YEAR.

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

The Very Rev. A. Swann took the chair at the annual meeting of St. Peter's Church, when the report presented by the Secretary, Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell, was adopted and carried.

Four additional members were elected to the Church Council. In addition to the following were elected.—Mr. H. A. Allen (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell (Hon. Secretary) Mr. R. Ashton Hill and Miss Atkins, Mrs. C. B. Shann, Miss R. Mow-fung, Mr. E. S. Cunningham and Mr. G. S. Ladd.

The following were elected to be representatives to the Diocesan Conference.—Miss Mow-fung, Mr. R. A. Hill, Mr. E. S. Cunningham and Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell.

Dr. S. Sun, Mr. H. A. Allen, Mr. W. Allen and Lt. Christian were elected, sidesmen for the coming year.

Guild Work. The report of Miss Mow-fung on the Guild of Martha and Mary was also read.

The Hon. Secretary's report and statement of accounts for 1930 were read and confirmed, and the following officers were elected for 1931.—President Mr. L. N. Watkins; Vice-President, Miss Atkins; Hon. Secretary, Miss P. Kerr.

BLAZING CAR TRIAL

OWNER SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR MURDER.

London, Yesterday. The sensational "blazing motor car trial" before the Northampton Assizes in which Alfred Arthur Rouse is charged with murdering an unknown man, whose remains were discovered in the burnt wreckage of Rouse's motor car on November 6 last, and still remain unidentified, has resulted in a verdict of guilty. The convicted man has been sentenced to death.—Reuter.

SERIOUS SET-BACK FOR LABOUR.

Defeat of Government Party in Australia.

GENERAL ELECTION?

Sydney, Yesterday. The Government suffered a serious set-back in an important by-election at Parkes, New South Wales, in spite of the fact that Mr. J. Scullin actively participated in the campaign, and the Nationalist candidate, Mr. Marr, defeated the Labour candidate, Mr. Martin, by a majority of 8,833 votes.

Many members of the Cabinet are dismayed at the result, which they attribute largely to the reinstatement of Mr. E. G. Theodore as Treasurer. They declare that a general election will now probably mean the dismissal of the Government.

The Senate, which is now in a position to dictate to the Government, may possibly hold up all Government business while Mr. Theodore remains in office, thus compelling his withdrawal or a general election.—Reuter.

DORNIER DO-X.

GERMAN FLYING BOAT LEAVES LISBON.

REPAIRS AFTER FIRE.

Lisbon, Saturday. Restored after a fire on board on November 29, the German flying boat Dornier DO-X left for Madeira this morning.—Reuter.

The passengers include the Chief of Staff, Rear-Admiral Coutinho, and two German journalists. A certain amount of correspondence on board is destined for Madeira, the Canaries, and South America.—Reuter.

The giant German flying boat, Dornier DO-X which arrived at Lisbon in November, is bound for America by easy stages, and is the largest flying boat in the world, being driven by twelve Curtiss Condor engines, developing 7,200 horse power. The wing span is 157 feet. The Atlantic flight will be made via the Azores and Bermuda. A vessel is to be in waiting between the two groups of islands with fuel for the DO-X. Besides her crew, she carries 13 passengers, including Lady Drummond Hay, and her average speed is about 150 miles per hour. The plane's designer is Dr. Dornier, a Bavarian.

Puerto Luz, Yesterday. The DO-X arrived here at 2 p.m.—Reuter.

[Puerto Luz is a town on the Island of Las Palmas, in the Canary Archipelago off the west coast of Northern Africa.]

"TSINGTAO AIRMAN"

GERMAN FLYING ACE'S DEATH.

DARING ESCAPES.

Berlin, Saturday. The German airman Gunther Pluschow was killed in an aeroplane crash whilst making films above Lake Rico, Cordilleras, Mexico.

He was well known during the War as "the airman of Tsingtao," from which he escaped aerially when the fortress surrendered. Subsequently he was captured and interned in Britain, when again he made a daring escape to Germany.

Pluschow, with his mechanic, attempted to escape by means of parachutes, which failed to open.—Reuter.

TO FLY TO CANTON.

MR. BROPHY TO ABIDE BY ORIGINAL PLANS.

Foochow, Saturday. The mechanics who are repairing Mr. G. W. Brophy's aeroplane have had unexpected success, and the aviator has decided to continue his flight. He intends to take-off in a few days' time, flying to Canton, according to his original plan.—Reuter.

WILD TERMS ASKED BY CONGRESS.

Permission for Breaches of the Lawn.

BOYCOTT TO CONTINUE.

Allahabad, Yesterday. A meeting of Congress leaders to-day, attended by Mahatma Gandhi, discussed at length the question of the peace negotiations. The trend of the discussions reveals that Congress is prepared to negotiate, if all political prisoners are freed under amnesty, and all repressive measures withdrawn.

The opinion is expressed in general that unless these points are conceded there can be little hope of peace.

The meeting passed a resolution reiterating the Working Committee's decision that the civil disobedience movement should continue, and passed another resolution, declaring that the boycott of foreign cloth must continue until the nation had acquired power to exclude foreign cloth and yarn by total prohibition or a prohibitive tariff.—Reuter.

Viceroy's Ordinance.

New Delhi, Yesterday.

The Viceroy has promulgated an Anti-Terrorist Ordinance in Burma similar to the Bengal Ordinance, with a view to meeting the situation created by the terrorists in Burma who are alleged to be co-operating closely with the Bengal terrorists who fomented the Tharawaddy rebellion.—Reuter.

"An Open Mind."

London, Saturday.

The Daily Herald gives prominence to a cable from Gandhi stating that "on the face of it the Premier's statement at the conclusion of the Round Table Conference would appear to be wholly inadequate, but in common with the majority of Congressmen I have an absolutely open mind and I have suspended judgment at the urgent request of Mr. Sastri, Sir Tej Saprui, and Mr. Jayakar."

"Personally I am eagerly searching for avenues leading to an honourable peace that would give India the freedom she desires, and to which she is entitled."

Mr. Gandhi further declares that "even for creating an atmosphere suitable for clam discussion, the release of all Congress Party prisoners, the withdrawal of repressive Ordinances, and the restoration of confiscated property is absolutely essential."—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

The death is announced of Sir Andrew Balfour.

Rome, Yesterday. After two decades' unsuccessful search for petroleum in Italy gushes yielding 175 gallons per minute have been found in Fonteviva, near Parma.—Reuter.

New York, Yesterday.

A report from Lima states that the new Finance Minister has declared that the Government will follow the advice of the American financial expert, Mr. Edwin Walter Kemmerer, who is reorganising the finances of Peru and who favours postponement of payment of Peru's external debts, until the country's economic normalcy is restored. The Minister added that the Peruvian Government will fulfil all its international obligations, but momentarily is unable to reimburse foreign creditors without seriously affecting the nation's economic life.—Reuter's American Service.

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SANITARY BOARD.

**MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT
MALARIA.**

THE SMALL-POX DANGER.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held to-morrow, Mr. M. K. Lo, pursuant to notice, will again bring up the subject of the Malarialogist's Reports on conditions at Lyceum and Taikoo.

At the meeting on December 9, Mr. Lo was informed that the Reports had been forwarded to the Government, which was not then in a position to announce its intentions on the recommendations.

Mr. Lo now asks whether any decision has been reached, and also that copies of the documents in the matter be available to members of the Board.

Other Questions.
The Medical Officer of Health will ask that certain resolutions of the Board passed last year, with reference to treatment of small-pox at a sufferer's house, be rescinded; whilst Mr. Wong Kwong-tin will ask that certain concessions be made as regards water supply during, and for two weeks previous to, Chinese New Year.

The text of the questions is appended.

Malarial Conditions.

Mr. M. K. Lo will ask:—

With reference to my questions on December 9, 1930, and the answers of the Head of the Sanitary Department to me of the same date, in the course of which he stated that the reports of the Malarialogist on Lyceum and Taikoo were forwarded to the Government by the Honorable the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services with his recommendations on October 4 and 14, 1930 respectively, that the Government was then not in a position to announce its intentions on the recommendations submitted and that the question of publishing the recommendations had not been considered by Government.

Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be good enough to ascertain from the Government and inform the Board whether the Government has now had time to reach a decision in regard to the publication of the reports of the Malarialogist together with the director's recommendations, for the information of the public?

Will the Head of the Sanitary Department ask the Government to supply copies of the documents to the members of the Board for their information?

Small-Pox Treatment.
The Medical Officer of Health, pursuant to notice, will move:—

That the resolution of the Board of October, 1918, that patients suffering from small-pox be allowed to be treated in their own houses under the following conditions:—

- (1) That all cases in the district should be notified to the Medical Officer of Health.
- (2) That all inmates of the house should be vaccinated.
- (3) That a notice should be posted on the door of the house where the patient is being treated

be rescinded.

Water Scarcity.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin will ask:—
i. Owing to scarcity of water and the consequential restriction of supplies, will the Head of the Sanitary Department consider the suspension of general house cleansing two weeks before Chinese New Year, and
ii. recommend to the Water Authority to give a full house supply of water two days before and after the Chinese New Year, i.e., February 15-18, both days inclusive?

ENJOYABLE DANCE.

**ENTERTAINMENT AT
MORRISON HALL.**

A BIG GATHERING.

The annual concert and dance given by the students at Morrison Hall on Saturday was probably the most successful function of its kind yet held there.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University (Sir W. W. Hornell, C.I.E.), was present during the evening, together with other members of the Faculties.

Altogether, close on 400 guests attended, and guests who after divers adventures contrived to discover Morrison Hall, were fully compensated by the warmth of their reception.

Attractive Concert.

Particularly successful items in the concert which preceded dance

LEFT TO DIE.

**DASTARDLY ATTACK ON TWO
WOMEN.**

WEST POINT CRIME.

A daring armed robbery, which was attended by the wounding of two of the inmates of the raid house, occurred at West Point soon after 7 o'clock on Saturday night.

Five desperadoes, armed with knives and daggers, were concerned in the affair. They visited the first floor of 17, Yuk Ming Street and by means of the usual ruse of calling to deliver something one of them got in and admitted the others.

The only people in the flat at the time were an elderly woman and a young girl. They unexpectedly offered resistance, but the robbers were desperate and would do at nothing to get together a few dollars for the approaching Chinese New Year, so both were promptly stabbed, thrown into one of the cubicles and left to die.

Bolled Downstairs.
Fearful lest the sound of the struggle would attract the attention of the inmates of the other floors in the house, the robbers did not stop to ransack the place. They hurriedly broke open a like-looking piece of furniture in one of the cubicles. They were lucky, some jewellery and money came to light, and helping themselves to these the five rascals bolted down stairs.

Neighbours who saw the men rush into the street concluded that they were robbers and raised the alarm with a chorus of Police whistles.

The robbers split up into two parties, an old ruse to confuse would-be chasers and running in different directions, succeeded in escaping before the arrival of the Police.

Detectives from No. 7 Police Station visited the house within a few minutes of being formed and took charge of the wounded persons who were rushed off to the Government Civil Hospital.

Serious Condition.
The victims are Luk Man-hing (56), widow, and a young girl, Chung To-wah (13). The latter's condition is stated to be serious and she will probably succumb.

Both are suffering from stab wounds. They were unconscious when admitted to the hospital, but whereas the woman came to soon after, the girl did not recover so rapidly, being considerably weakened by loss of blood.

Detectives remained at the flat carrying out investigations until a late hour and men were left behind to take charge of the premises overnight. The value of the robbers' booty was not ascertained at the time of writing.

CAUGHT IN ACT.

**PICKPOCKET ARRESTED AT
STAR FERRY WHARF.**

SMART DETECTIVE.

There was considerable excitement outside the Star Ferry wharf soon after 9 o'clock on Saturday night when a Chinese of the light fingered fraternity was caught red-handed.

The 9 p.m. ferry from Kowloon had just come alongside the wharf and passengers were landing when the pick-pocket, a man of about 22 years of age, walked on to the first class section of the wharf apparently to board the ferry.

He did not know that an eagle-eyed detective had noticed him meeting at least three other incoming ferries, had seen him each time walk on to the wharf and mingle with the crowd of passengers. He was obviously looking for a chance to snatch something, so this time the detective decided to follow him on to the wharf.

As luck would have it, the pick-pocket's chance came this time. He took a gold watch from the pocket of a Chinese passenger and simultaneously the detective "took" him.

The result was that the sailor broke loose from them and bolted out of the place disappearing down the side street running behind "Our Orchestra"; and a Chinese Harbour Office.

A few minutes later a European Officer from Central Police Station arrived by motor cycle but the disturber of the peace had already made good his escape. A search was made along the side street but no signs of him were found. He had probably got into a ricksha or boarded a tram and was by that time a good distance from the scene of his fling.

Fish-smoking operations, which have an important place in the Canadian fishing industry, resulted last year in the production of nearly 22,400,000 pounds of smoked fish and smoked fillets with a marketed value of about \$1,900,000. About 60 per cent. of the production was sold on the domestic market and the rest exported.

SAILORS' NIGHT OUT.

**ARRESTED AFTER TUSSELE WITH
POLICE.**

SHOP BROKEN INTO.

A British sailor, who was alleged to have been concerned in a snatching affair in town, was arrested at about 9 o'clock on Saturday night and taken to the Central Police Station, where after the matter was investigated, particulars of the snatching were taken down and he was allowed to return to his ship. The matter will, of course, be referred to the Naval authorities, with whom rests the decision as to whether he should be charged in Court or dealt with departmentally.

The alleged snatching occurred at the Yau Sang Cheung firm of stationers, 62, Hollywood Road. Inquiries made by our representative at the shop elicited the information that the snatching was accompanied by a Marine, entered the shop as the foks were about to close up for the night.

Glass Door Broken.
They proceeded to the rear portion, where there are some cupboards with glass doors containing boxes of Chinese brush pens.

According to the shop foks, the seaman suddenly broke one of the glass doors and snatched one of the boxes and, putting it under his arm, dashed out of the shop, followed by his companion.

One of the shop foks blew a Police whistle, whilst another pluckily went after the Service men, who led him a long chase before they were intercepted. The men turned into Wellington Street and ran down the whole length of it up to the junction of D'Aguiar Street.

They were about to turn into D'Aguiar Street to make for Queen's Road when a Chinese constable and two detectives intercepted them. The constable seized the sailor, and it was alleged that simultaneously the latter threw the box of pens down and it was picked up by the shop foks who took it with him up to the Central Station. The pens are stated to be worth \$8. Both men appeared to be quite sober.

Whilst he was being interrogated at the Police Station, another sailor was causing a disturbance in the Ng Chow Chinese boarding house at 76, Connaught Road Central.

Asked for a Room.
When interviewed by the China Mail man the boarding house people said that the sailor, who was obviously under the influence of liquor, called at the place and asked for a room for the night.

He was told that the boarding house was not licensed to accommodate Europeans but in spite of this he proceeded to walk upstairs. The foks were, of course, too frightened to restrain the seaman, so they resorted to telephoning for the Police. They were too afraid even to blow a whistle in case the sailor should "lose his temper," as they put it to our representative.

In the meantime the sailor had reached the third floor of the building, having apparently climbed straight up to the top without stopping on the other floors. On the third floor he tried the doors of a few of the cubicles and finding them locked, he did lose his temper and proceeded to break his way into one of them. He broke the glass but the locked door held against his efforts to force it open, whereupon he proceeded to break a few more glasses along the corridor.

Eventually two Indian constables arrived and going up to the third floor succeeded in bringing the sailor downstairs. He put up a stiff struggle all the way down so that the Indians were well exhausted by the time they got him to the ground floor. The result was that the sailor broke loose from them and bolted out of the place disappearing down the side street running behind "Our Orchestra"; and a Chinese Harbour Office.

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5-7 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor & H.M.V. Records kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.

7 p.m.—Stock Quotations.
7-7.38 p.m.—Selections from Musical Comedies.
Silver Wings—Vocal Gems.
Light Opera Co. (1858).

The Three Musketeers—Vocal Gems.
Veronique—Vocal Gems (Messenger).
The Arcadians—Vocal Gems (Monckton).

Light Opera Co. (1884).
Wake Up and Dream—Vocal Gems (Forster).
Mister Cinders—Vocal Gems (Ellis & Myers).

Light Opera Co. (1665).
7.38-7.55 p.m.—Massed Bands.
Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo—1930—Bugle Fanfare—Massed Drums & Fife Bands—Massed Bands of the Aldershot Command—Massed Mount of Bands & Light Cavalry Evolutions—Origin of the Coldstream Guards—Massed Pipe Bands—Queen Elizabeth's Visit to the Armada Camp—Torchlight Evolutions—O'Valiant Hearts—Abide With Me—Last Post—Farewell—God Save the Queen—Cheer for Her Majesty the Queen—March Off 1986 & 1987.
7.55-8.42 p.m.—Concert Items.

Down the Vale (Moir).
Essie Aikland, Contralto (1702).

Cello Solo—
a. Songs My Mother Taught Me (Dvorak).
b. Flight of the Pumblebee (Rimsky-Korsakow).
Pablo Casals (7183).

Song—
Ahl Moon of My Delight (Lehmann).
Tudor Davies, Tenor (1283).

Vocal Duet—
Calm as the Night (Carl Goetzke).
Lucy (Bori & Lawrence Tibbett (5043).

Piano Solo—
Minstrels (Debussy).
The Wind in the Plain (Debussy).
Ignace Jan Padrowski (1499).

Song—
I Shall Return (Gross & Schipa).
Tito Schipa, Tenor (1478).

Cello Solo—
Gavotte Tendre (Fillemaacher).
Pablo Casals (1191).

Song—
Serenade (Schubert).
Louise Homer, Contralto (6703).

Piano Solo—
By the Brookside (Stojowski).
Ignace Jan Padrowski (1429).

Song—
My Old Shako (Trotter).
Harry Dearth, Bass (1116).
8.43-9.25 p.m.—Variety.
9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

Orchestral—
Dream Lover (from the Love Parade) (Scherzinger).
De Groot & His Orchestra (3374).

Chorus—The Smoking Concert—For Old Time's Sake—Barnacle Bill the Sailor—Don't Send My Boy to Prison—Don't Forget Your Little Dicky Bird—Jolly Good Company—Gay Cavalier—She Was Poor But She Was Honest—The Wolf Genevieve—Strolling Round the Town.
Emanio Quartet (2079).

Whistling Rufus (Mills).
A Swane Sing Song (Grimsshaw).
Emile Grimsshaw's Banjo Quartet (3377).

Orchestral—
Selections of Boosy Ballads.
Drako Goss, Violoncello.
I Hear You Calling Me, Father O'Flynn.
Gleaner's Slumber Song.
Glorious Devon.
Kerry Dance.
My Ain Folk.
When You Come Home.
Until—Yeoman's Wedding.
Jack Hylton & His Orchestra (1886).

Orchestral—
Nautical Moments (arr. Winter).
London Palladium Orchestra (1854).
9.25-10 p.m.—Pelless Et Mel-sande (Debussy).
Duet—
Do You Then Not Know?
Yvonne Brothier & Charles Panzera of the Opera Comique Paris (9636).

Luet—
Was it not Beside a Well?
It is a Beautiful Night.
They are Here in my Hands.
Yvonne Brothier & Charles Panzera of the Opera Comique of Paris (9636).

Song—
Ah! Now I Breathe Again.
Charles Panzera, Baritone (9638).

Song—
Now That the Father of Pelless Has Been Saved.
Villy Tubiana, Bass (9638).

Duet—
We Came Here Long Ago.
What is That Noise? They're Closing the Doors.
Yvonne Brothier & Charles Panzera of the Opera Comique of Paris (9639).

10-10.30 p.m.—Experimental Relay.
God Save The King.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

LESSON SERMON.

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"Love" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 1.

The Golden Text was:—"The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee." (Jeremiah 31: 3).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible:—"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love." (John 15: 7, 10).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"We walk in the footsteps of Truth and Love by following the example of our Master in the understanding of divine metaphysics. Christianity is the basis of true healing. Whatever holds human thought in line with unselfed love, receives directly the divine power." (p.192).

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**ITALIAN DECISION AGAINST USE
IN WAR.**

Rome, Nov. 20.
The dirigible as an instrument of war has been wiped off the fighting organisation of the Italian Air Force.

In a Bill presented for eventual discussion in the Italian Parliament the Air Minister, Signor Balbo, detailed a new system of co-ordination for the Air Force as an organic unit.

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ANOTHER SHIP LAUNCHED.

The relationship of merchant ship tonnage and speed to naval parity was emphasised by Representative Frederick R. Lehlbach, of New Jersey, in his address at the launch of the passenger and cargo liner Exochorda from the New York Shipbuilding Co.'s yard at Camden recently.

The Exochorda is the second to be launched of four 7,000 gross ton, 14-knot turbine-driven vessels ordered by the Export Steamship Corporation for operation in the New York-Alexandria service of the American Export Line. She is to start on her maiden voyage from New York to the Mediterranean on February 25. The third vessel is now under construction, and the keel of the fourth is to be laid in the berth vacated by the Exochorda.

The vessel was christened by Miss Frances Glover, the 14-year-old daughter of Assistant Postmaster-General W. I. Glover, in the presence of a large gathering of shipping men and Government officials.

Mark Of Success.

"As a member of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee of Congress, deeply interested in the American Merchant Marine," said Mr. Lehlbach, "this event appeals to me not alone as a mark of the success achieved by the Export Steamship Corporation in building up and maintaining its line. To me the launching of this ship symbolises greater things."

"Here is a new and powerful addition to the national defence. Here is a new agency to work for the future promotion, expansion, and maintenance of our foreign trade. Here is a new opportunity for the training of naval reserve personnel. Here is a new force to work for the prosperity of our citizens, the security of our people, the success of our country."

Naval Limitation.

"The stipulations of the London Treaty limit the building of certain auxiliary types of naval vessels. There is great divergence of opinion as to whether or not the United States will attain parity with Great Britain in all categories of naval vessels. It is obvious, of course, that suitable merchant vessels to serve as naval auxiliaries constitute a most vital factor in the effective functioning of a navy. This being true, the adoption of navies can mean nothing without a corresponding ratio for merchant ships being taken into consideration."

Authoritative figures on the standing of the principal ocean-going merchant fleets, as at April 1, 1930, show: Great Britain, 3,407 ships of 18,790,000 aggregate tons; United States, 1,662 ships of 9,412,000 aggregate tons; Japan,

623 ships of 3,052,000 aggregate tons; Germany, 565 ships of 3,237,000 aggregate tons; Italy, 535 ships of 2,836,000 aggregate tons; France 533 ships of 2,785,000 aggregate tons.

"The British merchant fleet, it will be noted, is nearly twice the size of our fleet, both in numbers and tons. And yet the anti-American Merchant Marine propagandists insist that the United States is the power which is glutting the world tonnage market, because through Governmental aids it is encouraging the building and operation of more ships for its merchant fleet."

Disadvantage in Speed.

"The disadvantage under which the United States labours with its present merchant fleet is further shown when we compare the speeds of the ships in the fleets of the principal maritime countries. Great Britain has sixteen vessels capable of twenty knots or better, Italy has six, France five, the United States five, Germany four, and Japan two. In the class of vessels capable of fifteen to nineteen knots, Great Britain has 233, the United States 79, France 36, Japan 29, Italy 25, and Germany 20.

"Another very important factor in the analysis is the size of the vessels comprising the merchant fleets of these principal maritime nations. Great Britain possesses 28 vessels of 20,000 gross tons or over. Germany has nine, Italy eight, the United States six and France four. Of vessels ranging from 15,000 to 20,000 tons, Great Britain has 57, the United States seven, Germany six, France four, Japan three, and Italy two. In the class of vessels from 10,000 to 15,000 tons Great Britain has 150, the United States 42, France 21, Germany 16, Japan 12, and Italy six.

Building Programme.

"The construction programmes as on June 30, 1930, provided for Great Britain building in ocean-going merchant tonnage 127 vessels of 2,000 gross tons and over, aggregating 944,000 tons. The United States building programme provides for 46 ships of an aggregate of 497,000 tons; France's programme is for 23 ships, aggregating 221,000 tons; Japan's is for 21 ships, aggregating 170,000 tons; Italy's for 14 ships, aggregating 162,000 tons, and Germany's programme is for nine ships, aggregating 79,000 tons.

"Although the United States Congress is being criticised for sponsoring a building programme of privately-owned and operated ships during a period of depression, it will be noted that Great Britain is outbuilding us nearly three to one in the number of ships and almost two to one in the amount of tonnage. As a matter of fact the tonnage which the United States contemplates building under the terms of the mail contracts during the next eight years is less than the tonnage being constructed by Great Britain at the present time."

"From the standpoint of national defence the fact is inescapable that our merchant marine is greatly inferior to that of Great Britain. It is difficult to conceive how we can expect to attain naval parity with Great Britain without a proportionate strength in merchant ships."

PRES. TAFT.

PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON BOARD.

The following passengers arrived in Hong Kong on board the s.s. President Taft on Sunday:—

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Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Webster. Mr. Webster is connected with Sisco's Bros. & Co., Ltd., London.

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Mr. H. E. Page, Vice-President of the China General Edison Co., accompanied by Mrs. Page, en route to Shanghai.

Capt. H. D. Southard, of the U.S. Army, accompanied by Mrs. Southard.

Monsignor Teodoro Gordaliza, of the Dominican Fathers at Hong Kong, accompanied by Rev. Father Valerian Aragon.

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LINER COLLIDES.

ARABIA MARU IN A SINKING CONDITION.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
A collision occurred this afternoon at the entrance to Tokyo Bay between the passenger liner Arabia Maru and the freighter Takao Maru.

The Arabia Maru, which was returning from Vancouver, was badly damaged, being in a sinking condition. All her passengers and crew are safe, having been transferred to the Takao Maru.—Reuter.

[The Arabia Maru is a steel twin-screw steamer of 9,414 tons, built in 1918, and owned by the O.S.K., being registered at Osaka.]

The Takao Maru, built in 1927, is of 4,800 tons, and is also owned by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.]

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Friday, January 30.

Corona, Norwegian str., 1,953 tons, Capt. O. M. Klette, from Canton, Yauantai Anchorage.—Dodwell & Co.

Margaret Dollar, American str., 4,351 tons, Capt. H. T. Payne, from Amoy, buoy No. A8.—A.M.L.

Saturday, January 31.

Ceylon, Swedish str., 3,267 tons, Capt. Heddling, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4.—Gillman & Co.

Gertrude Maersk, Danish str., 3,155 tons, Capt. C. Nielsen, from Port Lamon, buoy No. A15.—Jensen & Co.

Hanyuan, British str., 1,207 tons, Capt. C. Harris-Walker, from Amoy, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Kambove, Belgian str., 3,607 tons, Capt. Egude, from Antwerp, Kowloon Wharf.—Bank Line.

Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Saigon, buoy No. B19.—Wo Fat Sing.

Hiroshi Maru No. 3, Japanese str., 940 tons, Capt. Y. Okada, from Keelung, Yauantai Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On s.s. Co.

Kingyan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Hoihow, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Kwongsang, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. R. Dobson, from Canton, buoy No. B7.—J. M. & Co.

Limchow, French str., 1,591 tons, Captain P. B. Morganti, from Canton, buoy No. A5.—Sing Kee & Co.

Mao Lee, Chinese str., 1,209 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Swatow, buoy B17.—Yee Tai Hong.

Paling Maru, Japanese str., 1,666 tons, Capt. K. Mineoka, from Canton, buoy No. C2.—N.Y.K.

Peru, Danish str., 5,222 tons, Capt. H. E. Frandsen, from Shanghai, buoy No. A5.—John Manners Co.

Ryujin Maru, Japanese str., 902 tons, Captain N. Kitano, from Keelung, Yauantai Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Solviken, Norwegian str., 1,435 tons, Capt. N. Norvald, from Canton, buoy No. C4.—Wallam & Co.

Suiyang, British str., 1,950 tons, Capt. J. M. Bryne, from Swatow, buoy No. B8.—B. & S.

Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,607 tons, Captain Takayama, from Canton, buoy No. C2.—N.Y.K.

Taikyu Maru, Japanese str., 1,804 tons, Captain H. Fujii, from Whampoa, Yauantai Anchorage.—Wada Jimusho & Co.

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Empress of Japan	May 19	May 22	May 25	May 27	June 10
Empress of Asia	June 2	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 22
Empress of Canada	June 15	June 18	June 21	June 23	July 8
Empress of Russia	June 28	July 1	July 4	July 6	July 20
Empress of Japan	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 19	Aug. 5
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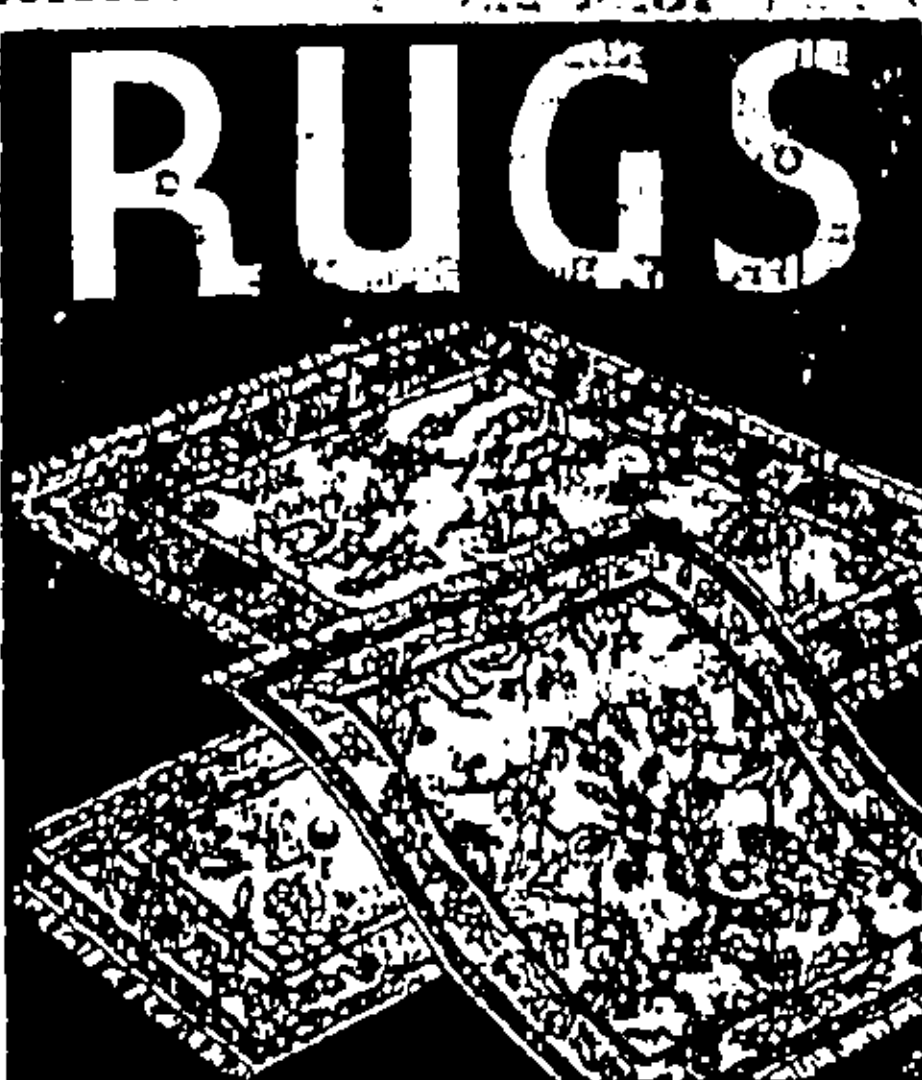
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BIRTH.

DUDMAN.—At the Matilda Hos-
pital on Saturday, January 31,
1931, to Mr. and Mrs. W. F.
Dudman, a son.

Hong Kong, Monday, Feb. 2, 1931.

ESTATE DUTY.

An undue amount of sensation-
alism has been given in certain
quarters to the proposed new
estate duties, the schedule of
which was published in our
columns on Saturday. Although
the fact is stated in the first
paragraph of "Objects and Rea-
sons" that certain amendments
are designed to prevent evasion of
estate duty, opportunity has been
taken to increase the duty. The
schedule, which was revised in
1924, now provides for the pay-
ment of 12 per cent. on all estates
in excess of \$2,000,000, as com-
pared with 8 per cent. on estates
of over \$2,500,000 in the past.
Eleven per cent. will be charged
on estates ranging from \$1,000,000
to \$2,000,000 and 10 per cent. on
estates from \$800,000 to
\$1,000,000. There is no charge
on estates of less than \$500, and
between \$500 and \$5,000 only 1
per cent. will be levied. A new
section gives relief in certain
cases of quick succession, the
duty on the second death being
reduced in accordance with a
scale which varies according to
the period elapsing between the
two deaths. Another new sec-
tion gives relief in the case of
estates which just pass over one
of the steps in the scale of estate

duties. The effect of the section
can best be seen from examples.
For example, an estate is valued
at \$10,500. At the new rate of
3 per cent. (the old rate is the
same) the estate duty would be
\$315. Under this section, how-
ever, duty can be paid at 2 per
cent. on \$10,000, i.e. \$200, with
an addition of \$50, i.e. \$350 in
all instead of \$315. Again, an
estate is assessed in \$100,500. At
the new rate of 6 per cent. the
estate duty would be \$6,030. Under
this section duty can be
paid at 5 per cent. on \$100,000,
i.e. \$5,000, with an addition of
\$500, i.e. \$5,500 in all instead of
\$6,030. Of course if an estate
passes over the step in the scale
by more than a small amount it
would not pay the estate to claim
the relief.

From the foregoing it will be
conceded that there is nothing to
justify any sensationalism. Gov-
ernments elsewhere regard
estates of deceased persons as a
fair field for the raising of re-
venue. Thus the British Govern-
ment expect in the year ending on
March 31 to get no less than
£81,000,000 from estate duties.
There the schedule begins at 1
per cent. on £100 and goes up to
£50 per cent. on £2,000,000.
Here the new schedule, as
already stated, begins at
1 per cent. on \$500 and goes
up to 12 per cent. on \$2,000,000.
In Great Britain, gifts made by
deceased during his life for pub-
lic or charitable purposes are
charged unless made more than
twelve months before death;
other gifts are charged, unless
made more than three years be-
fore death; gifts made in con-
sideration of marriage, or as part
of deceased's reasonable normal
expenditure, excepted. Gifts not
exceeding £100 in value or
amount also excepted. This is
quite a fair provision in any
Estate Duty Act or Ordinance,
and might well be incorporated in
the amending Bill shortly to come
before the Legislative Council
here. It would be quite easy
for the Treasury to lose a great
deal of estate duty through the
simple expedient of a man inter-
nally posing before his death
as a philanthropist and public
benefactor to the tune of thou-
sands of dollars thus acquiring
undeserved merit and posthumous
honour.

The new Bill as a whole is not
one that appeals to the average
man outside legal circles, but if
there are any controversial clauses
that have escaped attention, we
have no doubt that these will be
brought to light during the debate
in the Legislative Council.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 64 degrees. The
humidity was 89 degrees at 10 a.m.
and 85 degrees at 4 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage is an-
nounced of Joseph Chan, salesman,
of 7, Kai Yee Road, Kowloon City,
to Alice Sahmet, 746, Nathan Road,
Kowloon.

Charged with stealing seven
pieces of timber from their master,
Chan Sam, at 56, Peking Road,
yesterday, two Chinese, Tsang Ping
and Lam Sang, were fined \$10 or
two weeks' jail at the Kowloon
Magistrate's court this morning.

Chan Taz-hang, alias Chan Kung-
kum, trader, who died at 20,
Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong, on
October 17 last, left estate valued
at \$91,200. Probate has been
granted to Chan Chiu Shi, his
widow, Cha. Mang-chung and
Chan Mang-ywan.

Mr. H. R. Butters, the Kowloon
Magistrate, will proceed on long
leave on February 23, and Mr.
E. W. Hamilton of the Colonial
Secretariat will take his place.
The Magistrate's Clerk at Kow-
loon, Mr. W. Kerr, leaves for home
on March 28.

The Sindh community fore-
gathered in the Sindh Hindu Mer-
chants' Club in China Building
yesterday evening, when prizes
were awarded to the successful
actors and singers in a play pro-
duced by the community last month.
The prize winners were Messrs.
T. T. Chellaram, H. H. Mahantani,
B. K. Moorjani, Nihalchand, M. T.
Melwani and Nari.

The Star Ferry launch that left
Hong Kong at 1.5 yesterday
morning did not reach
Kowloon till 1.45—40 min-
utes' trip, which must be a
record or nearly so. A dense fog
hung over the harbour, making
navigation very difficult, the Ferry
going round in circles most of
the time. There was a full com-
plement of passengers, many of
whom had been attending dances
and other functions in Hong
Kong.

MR. H. S. ROUSE.

NINETEEN YEARS IN PUBLIC SERVICE.

A KEEN YACHTSMAN.

The congratulations of his
friends were yesterday extended
to Mr. H. S. Rouse (Chartered
Civil Engineer and A. M. Inst.
C.E.), Engineer in charge of Gen-
eral Works in the Public Works
Department, who completed 19
years in the service of the Govern-
ment of Hong Kong.

It was on February 1, 1912,
that Mr. Rouse received his first
appointment in the P.W.D. as
Land Surveyor and he arrived in
the Colony to take up his post on
the last day of the same month.

On December 27, 1913, he be-
came Assistant Engineer, Drain-
age Office, and on April 13, 1915,
was transferred to the General
Works Office. From December 1,
1915, to September 15, 1916, he
was Acting Executive Engineer,
and reached his present position
of Engineer in charge of General
Works on March 15, 1921.

Mr. Rouse is a keen yachtsman
and during 1930 was Rear-Com-
modore of the Royal Hong Kong
Yacht Club, and frequently dur-
ing week-ends he is to be seen at
the helm of his yacht. He also
took part in several of the Club's
annual cruises to Macao.

He is also an enthusiastic stamp
collector and during 1930 served
on the committee of the Philatelic
Society.

WEDDING.

CEREMONY IN ROSARY CHURCH, KOWLOON.

SEQUEIRA—XAVIER.

The wedding took place in the
Rosary Church yesterday of Mr.
Manuel Sequeira, son of Mr. F. X.
Sequeira of Shanghai, and Miss
Cecilia Maria Xavier, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Xavier.

The bride was given away by
her father and was attended by
Miss Mercedes Xavier as maid of
honour, and five bridesmaids, the
Misses Carmen Botelho, Alicia
Sequeira, Alda and Clasy
Noronha, and Hermina Oliveira.
In addition Miss Olivia Botelho
was flower girl, and Master
Erasmus Xavier was page.

The Very Rev. Fr. G. M. Epada
officiated. Mr. J. M. Noronha
best man, whilst Mr. Fred Prata
acted as groomsmen.

Following the wedding a re-
ception was held in the Club de
Recreation, King's Park, where
music was supplied by the Lyric
Band. The honeymoon is being
spent in the Repulse Bay Hotel.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION

(To the Editor of the "China Mail".)
Sir,—Reference which have
appeared in certain Hong Kong
newspapers to the work of the
British Economic Mission during
its stay here contain statements
which imply that Hong Kong and
its trade are not to receive the
same attention from the Mission
as was given elsewhere. It has
been stated that after about only
one week's investigation the mem-
bers of the Mission will be en-
tirely engaged in writing the re-
ports, and one newspaper remarks
that "the Colony may claim the
right to be heard if only as a
Shanghai echo."

I wish to state, on behalf of
the Economic Mission and the
Colonial Mission, that it is, and al-
ways has been, the intention of
the Missions to investigate as
thoroughly and as carefully in
Hong Kong as elsewhere.

Many engagements have al-
ready been made by members of
the Missions with leading Hong
Kong business men, and we fully
realise the importance of Hong
Kong in the Far Eastern trade.

Our plans provide for every useful
contact and supply of informa-
tion which will help us in our task.
I should like to say that I can-
not understand how such mislead-
ing statements appeared in the
Press, as some time ago the Mis-
sions requested the Hong Kong
Chamber of Commerce to arrange
for us to interview individually
leading men in different trades
and industries, and communicated
two questionnaires to the Cham-
ber as bases for these discussions.
The Chamber of Commerce has
been good enough to carry out the
requests of the Missions and we
are looking forward to a really
strenuous and useful time at
Hong Kong.

Yours, etc.,

Ernest Thompson,
Chairman.

Hong Kong, Feb. 1, 1931.

[The "misleading statements"
did not appear in the China Mail.
Why not definitely name the
newspapers which published
them?—E. C.M.]

TWO VIEWS.

OPINIONS OF EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

The following are some opinions
on the results of the Imperial Con-
ference:

Mr. J. H. Thomas.

The effect of the Government's
undertaking that, subject to the
rights of Parliament to fix the
annual Budget, we would not, for a
period of three years, or pending
the result of the Conference at
Ottawa, reduce the existing prefer-
ential margins which we accord to
imports into this country from
other parts of the Empire, was that
South Africa at once gave an un-
derstanding corresponding to ours
and other Dominions left no doubt as
to their desire to act on a similar
principle.

Another important result was the
enlargement of the sphere of action
of the Empire Marketing Board and
a wide extension in the terms of
reference of the Imperial Economic
Committee.

Mr. Deane, Secretary of the Aus-
tralian Department of Home Affairs
(quoted by Reuters):

In 1914 we did not even know
what the "Scrap of Paper" was.
We knew only that Great Britain
was in the ditch and we sprang to
help her. Now it is our turn to be
in the ditch. We have appealed for
Great Britain's help and she turns
us down.

Lord Strathcona.

The first time the Dominions
came here as equal partners, they
are more or less shown the door by
the Government. It is most ap-
palling that the Government in a
time of national emergency should
snub the Dominions.

TRAPPED IN CORNFIELD.

Suicide Of Two Members Of Bandit Gang.

Sidell, Illinois, Dec. 16.
Trapped in a cornfield after a
chase, two members of a bandit
gang committed suicide while a
third was injured and captured,
near here to-day.

A short time earlier they had
robbed the Citizens State Bank of
Clinton, Indiana. Their loot, an
estimated \$15,000, was recovered
from a brief case which they had
tossed from their automobile as
they fled. Deputy Sheriff Joo
Walker was seriously injured.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16.
Fighting revolvers and shot-
guns, six bandits robbed the Man-
chester Savings Bank and Trust
Company. The loot was estimated
at \$50,000.

The bandits covered 30 employees
and customers and forced the teller
to open the vault. The robbery was
the third of its kind on the Pitts-
burgh district in ten days.

GLEE SINGERS.

PACKED HOUSES IN THEATRE ROYAL.

AUDIENCE ENTHUSIASTIC.

The eighth programme of their
world tour was presented by Mr.
Edward Branscombe's Westminster
Glee Singers in the Theatre Royal
to a packed house on Saturday
night, those present including His
Excellency the Governor, Lady
Peel, and party. The entertain-
ment was thoroughly enjoyed by
the enthusiastic audience, and de-
mands for encores were frequent.

The programme was varied and
included many fine old English
Ballads and plantation songs. Al-
bert Greene brought the house down
with his shanties, and was heartily
applauded.

The Glee Singers delighted with
several numbers, and their render-
ing of the anthem, "Lord for Thy
Tender Mercy's Sake," was very
sweet.

THE MATINEE.

As much of the programme men-
tioned above was given at the
matinee, little need be said about
the afternoon entertainment. But
the Glee Singers' Director certainly
scored in taking the hint thrown
out in the correspondence columns
of the Sunday Herald and China
Mail for a matinee on a Saturday
instead of a Wednesday. The the-
atre-larks packed in all sections—a
splendid testimony to the popular-
ity of the Glee Singers and to the
Saturday matinee. Special pains
had been taken to provide suitable
fare for the kiddies, all of whom
thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Nursery rhymes were made the
most of by the artistes in an
original manner, evoking much
laughter and clapping of hands by
the juvenile as well as the adult
element in the great audience. It
was a treat that will linger long
and pleasantly in the memory.

On Wednesday heads of schools
should give their pupils special
leave to attend the matinee and
improve their musical education.

Two More Concerts.

It is good news to learn that
before their departure for Japan en
route to South Africa, Mr. Edward
Branscombe's renowned singers will
give two more concerts in
Hong Kong. This will take
place on Wednesday after-
noon and evening in the
Theatre Royal, and still other
completely new programmes will be
presented. The success of the
Westminster Glee Singers has been
even more pronounced in Hong
Kong than in other parts of the
Empire, the old British folk-songs
and national airs having created
immense enthusiasm. Their in-
describable charm and tunefulness,
added to the unique way in which
these accomplished vocalists pre-
sent them, is a delightful musical
experience, which is greatly added
to by the extreme skill of the per-
formers.

For Wednesday evening an ex-
cellent programme of national
music has been chosen, and in ad-
dition there will be a few repeti-
tions of those numbers which have
proved most popular during the
season.

The Westminster Glee Singers
are leaving for Shanghai by the
Empress of Japan on Thursday.

NEW RAILWAY TERMINUS.

Opened By Governor Of Bombay.

Bombay, Dec. 18.

Before a large and distinguished
gathering, the Governor of Bombay
Sir Frederick Sykes, this afternoon
performed the opening ceremony of
the new Bombay-Baroda Central
India Railway terminus near Grant
Road.

The new terminus, which is called
the Bombay Central, is erected
four miles down the line from the
present terminus at Colaba, and
covers an area of 250,000 square
yards.

It took 21 months to build, and
cost approximately £4,000,000.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of
February 2, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/5
3s.

The Governor announced to-day
at the Queen's College prize dis-
tribution that Sir Robert Ho Tung
has given a further donation of
\$100,000 to the Hong Kong Univer-
sity, bringing the total of his bene-
factions to \$250,000. That is
 princely. The last gift is to be
expended on the workshops of the
Engineering Faculty, the depart-
ment most in need of funds at the
present moment.

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HONG KONG SHANGHAI MANILA.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.
INTERPORT PROGRAMME.

WEDNESDAY, February 18th, HONG KONG v. SHANGHAI.

SATURDAY, February 21st, SHANGHAI v. CHINESE.

MONDAY, February 23rd, SHANGHAI v. UNITED SERVICES.

All matches will be played on the Hong Kong Football Club ground starting at 3.30 p.m. sharp.
Booking for the Interport ONLY will be at Messrs. Moutries, Ltd., and will open for Clubs affiliated to the Association on February 5th. Booking for the General Public will open on February 10th.
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RUGBY INTERPORT.

Hong Kong v. Shanghai

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East & West Stands 40 Cts. including Tax.

H. M. McTAVISH,

Hon. Secretary.

Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL.

HOME LEAGUE CUPS AND SCOTTISH CUP TIES.

RANGERS DEFEATED.

London, Saturday.
The following were the results of Home football matches to-day:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.	
Arsenal	1 Birmingham
Aston Villa	8 Middlesbrough
Blackburn	1 Leicester
Blackpool	3 Sunderland
Chelsea	2 Liverpool
Grimsby	2 Manchester U.
Huddersfield	3 Leeds
Manchester C.	4 Derby
Newcastle	4 Bolton
Portsmouth	2 Sheffield U.
Wednesday	5 West Ham
* Postponed.	
Division II.	
Bradford	4 Burnley
Bristol C.	2 Barnsley
Bury	0 Port Vale
Cardiff	0 Charlton
Everton	4 Bradford C.
Millwall	2 Tottenham
Oldham	3 Notts Forest
Plymouth	5 West Brom.
Reading	1 Swansea
Stoke	1 Preston N.E.
Wolves	3 Southampton
* Postponed.	

Division III.—Southern.	
Drentford	2 Exeter
Clapton O.	0 Bournemouth
Crystal P.	5 Gillingham
Luton	4 Bistol R.
Northampton	2 Brighton
Norwich	1 Fulham
Notts C.	1 Watford
Queen's P.R.	2 Coventry
Southend	6 Newport
Thames	3 Swindon
Torquay	0 Walsall
* Accrington	
Division III.—Northern.	
Carlisle	7 Rochdale
Darlington	3 New Brighton
Chesterfield	3 Barrow
Hartlepool	0 Doncaster
Lincoln	3 Hull
Nelson	1 Stockport
Rotherham	3 Southport
Tranmere	0 Crewe
Wigan	3 Gateshead
Wrexham	3 Halifax N
York	0
* Accrington	

SCOTTISH CUP.

Dundee U.	Celtic	
Motherwell	4 Albion	
Murrayfield	0 Ayr	
Clyde	1 St. Mirren	
Third Lanark	1 Airdrie	
Bo'ness	0 Alloa	0
Rangers	1 Dundee	
Montrose	Civil Service	
Cowdenbeath	2 St. Johnstone	
Inverness C.F.	1 Falkirk	
Arbroath	Edinburgh C.	
Hamilton	2 Hibernians	
Kilmarnock	3 Hearts	
King's Park	1 St. Bernard's	
Aberdeen	1 Partick	
Queen's Park	0 Morton	
* Abandoned at interval.		
† Postponed.		
Scottish League.		

Scottish League.

Leith	6 E. Fife	1
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REVISED LEAGUE TABLES.

English League—Division I.	
	Goals.
Wednesday	28 17 5 9 76 48 39
Arsenal	25 19 6 3 79 39 38
Aston Villa	28 14 8 6 84 57 39
Blackburn	27 12 6 9 83 49 31
Blackpool	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Chelsea	27 12 6 9 83 60 30
Grimsby	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Huddersfield	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Manchester U.	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Middlesbrough	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Newcastle	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Portsmouth	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Sheffield U.	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Swindon	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Watford	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
West Ham	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Wolves	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
York	27 11 9 7 88 48 31

Division II.

	Goals.
Bradford	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Bristol C.	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Bury	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Cardiff	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Everton	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Millwall	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Oldham	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Plymouth	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Reading	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Stoke	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Swansea	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Tottenham	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Tranmere	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Wigan	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
Wrexham	27 11 9 7 88 48 31
York	27 11 9 7 88 48 31

Division III.—Southern.

	Goals.
Netts Cnty.	27 17 5 9 76 48 39
Southend	27 12 6 9 83 49 31
Crystal Pal.	26 14 8 6 84 57 39
Brighton	26 11 10 5 84 50 32
Brentford	27 12 6 9 83 49 31
Exeter	27 12 6 9 83 49 31
Coventry	26 12 4 10 59 44 28
Luton	27 11 6 10 41 39 28
Bournemouth	27 10 8 9 48 50 28
Queen's P.R.	27 12 3 12 58 45 27
Torquay	27 9 9 9 48 54 27
Swindon	27 12 2 13 55 60 26
Gillingham	27 6 9 10 43 47 26
Watford	27 9 5 13 48 53 23
Clapton O.	25 9 5 11 40 27 23
Bristol R.	26 7 13 48 67 23
Walsall	26 7 12 52 59 21
Newport	27 7 17 52 81 17
Norwich	27 6 5 16 29 48 17
Thames	27 7 17 51 68 17

Division III.—Northern.

	Goals.
Lincoln	27 19 4 4 64 29 42
Chesterfield	28 17 5 6 64 38 39
Tranmere	27 17 4 6 62 51 38
Fleetwood	27 17 4 6 62 51 38
Wrexham	27 14 5 8 63 45 33
Hull	26 13 6 7 68 38 32
Carlisle	27 14 3 10 65 51 31
Wigan	27 14 3 10 65 51 31
Southport	26 13 4 9 63 48 31
Gateshead	25 8 10 7 36 28 29
Rotherham	27 8 7 12 58 69 23
Accrington	23 10 3 15 53 70 23
Darlington	27 9 4 14 46 42 22
Rochdale	27 9 4 14 46 42 22
Farrow	28 9 4 15 42 68 22
Hartlepool	26 9 3 14 40 48 21
Doncaster	27 7 13 42 47 21
N. Brighton	28 5 15 39 55 21
York	24 9 2 13 45 60 20
Crewe	26 9 2 15 40 61 20
Halifax	26 7 5 14 34 61 19
Nelson	27 4 6 17 30 63 14

Scottish League.

	Goals.
Celtic	23 15 6 2 70 22 36
Rangers	24 16 4 4 59 20 36
Motherwell	25 15 6 4 64 32 36
Partick	25 16 2 7 59 34 34
Hearts	26 14 3 9 63 40 31
Hamilton	26 14 3 9 63 40 31
Dundee	25 14 3 8 50 38 31
St. Mirren	25 11 3 9 49 48 31
Cowdenbeath	27 11 5 10 37 42 27
Aberdeen	27 11 4 12 52 44 26
Airdrie	25 11 3 11 39 47 25
Morton	26 10 4 11 48 58 24
Kilmarnock	26 10 2 14 42 49 22
Clyde	26 9 4 13 44 52 22
Queen's P.R.	26 8 5 11 44 45 21
Leith	27 6 9 12 37 58 21
Falkirk	25 8 2 15 49 64 18
Hibernians	26 6 6 15 36 60 17
Ayr	24 3 7 14 31 60 13
East Fife	27 2 4 21 28 93 8

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

FENCING — To-day — Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.15 p.m.

GOLF — To-morrow — Second Round of Ross Cup. February 10—Junior Section, Championship, R.H.K.G.C. (First round).

CHESS — To-morrow—Kowloon Chess Club Championship. Friday—Kowloon Chess Club Championship.

FOOTBALL — To-morrow — Interport Match, 4.30 p.m.; Emergency Committee Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

February 18—Hong Kong v. Shanghai, 2.30 p.m.

February 21—Chinese v. Shanghai, 3.30 p.m.

February 22—United Services v. Shanghai.

HOCKEY — Wednesday—Army v. Navy (Sim Shield).

FANLING HUNT—Wednesday Potts Bungalow, 5.15 p.m.

CRICKET — Saturday — Division I.—University v. Royal Artillery (L.); Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (F.); Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F.); Division II.—Royal Engineers v. Police R.C. (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Club de Recreo (L.); Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (F.).

BOXING — Saturday — Tournament, Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

RACING — Sunday — Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting, February 28, March 2, 3, 4, and 7—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

March 22—Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

RUGBY — February 14—Hong Kong v. Shanghai, 8.30 p.m.

February 17—United Services v. Shanghai, 8.30 p.m.

ATHLETICS — March 15 and 16 — Hong Kong v. Canton University.

HOME.

FOOTBALL — February 14—English Cup—Fifth Round. February 21—Ireland v. Scotland.

The Scottish footballer makes the ball do the work; the English fellow covers two or three times as much ground in the same time, but he is only doing the work himself instead of making the ball do it, and he does not get on any faster.

As compared with wing play a centre-forward has at least one other advantage; he has two ways to go with the ball at all times, whereas the winger, if he receives it near the touchline, has usually only one safe way to keep the ball in play—Alec Jackson.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

OVERWHELMING DEFEAT OF CIVILIANS.

CHINA'S EASY VICTORY.

The Chinese, before a huge crowd of over seven thousand, easily overcame the opposition put up by the Civilians on Saturday, and ran out worthy winners by four goals to one, thus winning the trophy for the first time since the Lai Wah Cup competition was inaugurated.

The Civilians were poorly served by their defence, which tired after the first half hour and adopted defensive tactics, thus giving the forwards little help in the attack.

The Chinese, however, were lucky to come through the opening stages with their goal intact, but a packed goal proved its value once again in a match of such vital importance.

In Division II, the Navy avenged their former defeat by the Club by winning by five goals to two. All other results in this division were as expected.

The Ordnance gained another two points at the expense of the Airman, but left it rather late before scoring the only goal of the match. The R.A.S.C. did well to take a point from the R.E., and South China gained a runaway victory over Ewo.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Lai Wah Cup—Final.

Civilians	1	Chinese	4
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Division II.

Navy	5	Club	2
Eastern	3	St. Joseph's	1
Borderers	1	R.A.	1
Athletic	1	Kowloon	2
Recreo	0	University	2
Argyle	2	South China	1

Division III.

R.E.	1	R.A.S.C.	1
South China	6	Ewo	2
R.A.F.	0	R.A.O.C.	1
Athletic	0	Borderers	2

GOAL SCORERS.

Lai Wah Cup—Final.

Li Wah-koon (Chinese)	2
Fung King-cheng (Chinese)	1
Suen Kam-chun (Chinese)	1
A. Y. Gosano (Civilians—penalty)	1

Division II.

Kirkby (Navy)	3
Gilchrist (Kowloon—penalties)	2
Lakeman (Borderers)	1
Tan (University)	1
Wong (University)	1
Or Yee-hin (St. Joseph's)	1
Lai Kong-hee (Eastern)	1
Mak Shu-hon (Eastern)	1
Ng Yook-hon (Eastern)	1
Shau (Navy)	1
Strang (Club)	1
Jackson (Club)	1
Ballantyne (Argyle)	1
Gray (Argyle)	1
Wong Kiu-kwan (South China)	1
Fung King-yui (Athletic)	1

Division III.

Chin Fook-to (South China)	3
Chan Mok-shing (Ewo)	2
Lui Kong-kum (South China)	1
Tapi Kin-hang (South China)	1
Cheong To-kwong (S. China)	1
Fieldard (Borderers)	1
Powell (Borderers)	1
Dolan (R.A.O.C.)	1
Himbury (R.E.)	1
Cole (R.A.S.C.—penalty)	1

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
South China	12	11	1	0	45	10	22
Argyle	13	9	4	0	33	18	22
Athletic	11	8	2	1	27	13	17
Recreo	12	7	4	1	25	20	15
South China	13	5	5	3	30	19	13
Kowloon	10	5	2	3	25	18	13
Navy	10	6	4	0	27	16	12
Police	13	8	1	1	18	27	7
R.A.	13	8	1	1	15	41	7
St. Joseph's	13	2	11	0	17	44	4
Club	12	1	10	2	7	38	4

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Navy	17	13					

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	
Saigon	Chenonceaux
Shanghai	Andre Libon
Java via Batavia	Tjondari
Straits	Van Heutz
Japan	Melbourne Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Andre Libon
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	
Calcutta and Straits	Nam Sang
Australia and Manila	Tanda
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	
Straits and Manila	Rioy
Japan	La Plata Maru
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6.	
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London January 8, 1931)	Takada.
Parcels only (London, Jan. 1) and Straits Anterior	
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7.	
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 17)	Empress of Canada
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8.	
Manila	Pres. McKinley
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Jan. 9)	President Fillmore
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Jan. 16)	President Jefferson

OUTWARD MAILS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	
Shanghai and Wuchow	Tai Ming 4 p.m.
Japan, *Canada, U.S.A., *C. & *S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.	
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	
Formosa	Nitto Maru 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Tjibadak 9.30 a.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Yu Sang 10.30 a.m.
K.P.O.	
Registration Feb. 3, 1 p.m.	
Letters Feb. 3, 1 p.m.	
Port Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	2 p.m.
Straits	2 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	2 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane	3.30 p.m.
Swatow	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and *San Francisco	
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	
Amoy	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	8.30 p.m.
Bangkok	10 a.m.
Amoy	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6.	
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa and *South American Ports	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	
K.P.O.	
Registration Feb. 6, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters Feb. 7, 9 a.m.	
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	1 p.m.
Manila	3.30 p.m.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	9 a.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9.	
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	
Shanghai & *Europe via Siberia	

*Superscribed correspondence only.

FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB.

Entries for February Steeplechases.

OFFICIAL WEIGHTS.

The following are the entries for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club's Steeplechase Meeting on Sunday at Kwantung:

1.—The Hunters' Hurdle Race (Unofficial). 1 1/4 Miles. For China ponies certified by the Master of the Drag as having been regularly hunted. Winners since October 1, 1930, of a hurdle race or steeplechase (including the Tally Ho Steeplechase) barred. Weight 168 lb. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.

Bertram	168
Big Ching	168
Bright Prospect	168
Charleston	168
Chummy	168
Duke of Neiblung	168
Fanling Stag	168
Fernleaf	168
Grey Mouse	168
Groombridge	168
Hefly	168
Inshallah	168
Joseph	168
Lenondrop	168
Mad Carew	168
Peking	168
Rosier	168
Sunlech	168
Tigre	168
The Ptarmigan	168

2.—The Fat Choy Handicap. A Steeplechase of 1 1/4 Miles. For China Ponies that have not won more than one steeplechase since October 1, 1930. Top weight not to exceed 168 lb.; bottom weight not less than 148 lb. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.

As You Like It	168
Blue Boy	168
Christmas Belle	168
Fanling Stag	168
Fifty Fifty	168
Montana	168
San Francisco	168
Sergeant Murphy	168
Tarnborg	168
The Partridge	168

3.—The China New Year Handicap. A Hurdle Race of 1 1/4 Miles. For China Ponies. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.

Christmas Belle	168
Christmas Frolie	168
Fifty Fifty	168
Gay Caballero	168
Marquis Hall	168
Mike	168
San Francisco	168
Sergeant Murphy	168
Target	168
Young Pretender	168

4.—The "Volunteers" Winter Cup (Unofficial). A Flat Race of 1 Mile. For China ponies certified by the O. C. Machine Gun Troop H.K.V.D.C. as "regular" troop ponies. Winner of the "November Volunteer Cup" barred. Weight 168 lb. Winner: A Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25.

Done Again	168
Eclipse Eve	168
Harford	168
Herefore	168
Inshallah	168
Sunning	168
Tarball	168
Touchwood	168

AFTER REVENGE!

EWIN OUT TO REVERSE LAST DECISION.

SATURDAY'S BOXING.

The middleweight title fight next Saturday between Jock Crichton, welter and middles champion of the Colony, and Seaman Harry Ewin, I.S.B.A. middleweight champion, 1925, and 1928, has gained added interest in view of the recent successes of both men.

Crichton recently beat Signalman Morris over 15 rounds in Shanghai, whilst Ewin put out the Manila star, Carlos Logan, in eight rounds last Saturday.

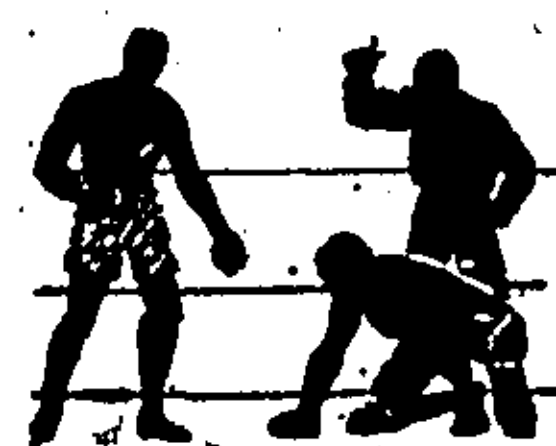
Inasmuch as the Crichton-Morris affair was for the welterweight title in Shanghai, and that Logan was considered the best man at his poundage in the Philippine Islands, it can safely be said that Hong Kong fans will be seeing the two best middles in the Orient in action in their coming bout.

Opinions Divided.

A good deal has already been written about the fight, and boxing followers are familiar with the men's records. There will be a good deal of support for Crichton on the strength of his points victory over Ewin last time they met. But it is whispered that Ewin will go all out from the first tap of the gong to show that the decision that bout was all wrong.

Both men have kept in strict training for the fight, which should be the outstanding event of a splendid boxing season. Crichton has been informed by wire that the match is definitely on, and is expected here in the course of the next day or so. Ewin is training aboard his ship, H.M.S. Kent, and according to all accounts, is showing great form, and hitting harder than ever before. It will not pay Crichton to neglect his defence, as he did once or twice in the course of his bout with Begbie. A big supporting card is promised, and with opinion sharply divided as to the ultimate winner of the main event, a record crowd should be seen. It will be advisable to book early for this flat-treat.

BOXING



THEATRE ROYAL SATURDAY, Feb. 7th. at 9.15 p.m.

MAIN EVENT

15 Rounds Contest for Middleweight Championship of the Colony and Belt

Between

JOCK CRICHTON,

Welter and Middle Weight

Champion of the Colony,

and

A. B. EWIN,

H.M.S. KENT.

Imperial Services Middleweight

Champion 1925 and 1928.

Booking at Montre's:

For Members of the

Hong Kong Boxing Association

on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,

February 4 and 5.

General Public:

FRIDAY and SATURDAY,

February 6 and 7.

RINGSIDE SEATS \$5.50.

OTHERS \$3.50 and \$1.10.

INCLUDING TAX

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	11 1/2
Bank, on demand	11 1/2
Bank, 4 months' sight	11 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1 1/2 - 5/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1 1/2 - 7/16
On Paris—	
On demand	600
Credits, 4 months' sight	640
On New York—	
On demand	23 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	24 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	65 1/2
On demand	65 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	65 1/2
On demand	65 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	41 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	47 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	71s. 75
Dollar	8 1/2 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	47 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1 1/2 - 1/4
Silver (per oz.)	13 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3 1/2 prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	22 1/2 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Far

Honor C.P.R. Official



At the annual meeting of the Police and Fire Chiefs' Club of the Montreal district held recently, A. Hector Cadieux, assistant chief of the investigation department, Canadian Pacific Railway was elected president for the ensuing year. The election demonstrates the close and harmonious relation between C.P.R. police and the city force for the protection of life and property in the metropolis of Canada. A week later, Mr. Cadieux presided at the fifth annual banquet of police and fire chiefs held at the Place Viger Hotel at which His Honor Camille Houde, Mayor of Montreal, was the guest of honor.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on January 31, and is due here on February 23. She will leave for Manila at 5 p.m. on the same day.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Yokohama on February 1 (Sun.) at 8 a.m., left Yokohama on February 1 (Sun.) at 1 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on February 7 (Sat.), a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on February 7 (Sat.) at 8 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Japan will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Yoko and Yokohama at noon on February 5, and, connecting with the s.s. Montcalm, she is due at Liverpool on March 7.

McGill University has arranged to send an exhibit to the British Empire Trade Fair at Buenos Aires this year—March 14 to April 27—the exhibit including a large painted panorama of the University buildings and campus; mounted photographs representative of the college; a large number of exhibits from the library; pamphlets in Spanish and various literature from the Registrar's office.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 2nd Feb., 1931.

STOCK	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Non	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	1030	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 21 bonus 21 a/c 14-31 ss. 1/11 - 7/11 - 2/11 - 1/11 Interim 7/11 - 1/11 a/c 1930 [Int. 21%] a/c 1930 less 1/11 tax a/c 1930 80 for 1929	Pending Sep. — 80 Sep. — 80 Feb. 23, 30
Chartered Bank	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Mercantile Bk., A.B. & C. 2	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Bank of Asia	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	...	...	...	1300	Dec.	[Final 27 for 1929 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 None	May 15, 30 May 30, 30 May 30, 30 ...
*China Underwriters ..	31	...	31	...	Dec.	...	...
China Fire Ins.	475	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 21 bonus 21 for 1929 & 1930 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 81-50 for 1929	May 30, 30 Mar. 23, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	...	...	...	1300	Dec.	...	...
Shipping.							
Douglases	...	281	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929 81-50 for 1929	Mar. 4, 30
H. K. Steamships ..	...	...	...	37	Dec.	...	...
Indo-China (Pref.) ..	...	...	...	40	Dec.	[Int. 4% ex. 2/11 on preferred for 1929 and 1930 Last dividend for 1911 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 a/c 1930	June 19, 30 May 8, 30 May 8, 30 ...
Shell Transports ..	...	...	761	...	Dec.	...	Pending
Union Waterboats ..	...	38	38	...	Dec.	...	Mar. 10, 30
Mining.							
Beigants	...	101	...	...	Dec.	[Final 21 cents a/c making 1/20 for 1930 for 1929 & 1930 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 T. 0.50 for year 31-30	Dec. 30, 30 Dec. 30, 30 May 8, 30 ...
Kailan Mining Ad. 1/4	...	...	12/6	...	June	...	...
Langkat	...	...	...	...	Oct.	...	...
S'hai Exploration ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
" Loans	64	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
*Rauha	...	39	...	...	Mar.	[Final T. 0.11 making 1/20 for 1929 Interim 2/11 a/c 1930 a/c 1930	Pending Dec. 18, 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & W. Docks ..	173	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1929	Mar. 15, 30
H. K. & W. Docks ..	30	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
South Ch. Motors ..	...	...	...	10	...	...	...
*China Provident (old)	51	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
" (new)	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Hongkew	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim T. 3 a/c 1930	Sep. 12, 30
N. Engineering ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
Shanghai Docks ..	...	...	...	108	Apr.	T. 7 for year 28-30	July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
*H. K. & S. Hotels ..	12.65	12.50	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1929	Apr. 7, 30
H.K. Lands (old) ..	50	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
" (new A) ..	54	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 2/11 making 1/20 for 1930 Interim T. 3 a/c 1930	Pending
" (new B) ..	83	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Shanghai Lands ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim T. 3 a/c 1930	July 31, 30
Humphreys (Cum Ru)	...	...	...	17.30	Dec.	50 cents for 1929	May 7, 30
" Rights ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
H. K. Realities ..	3.40	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 30 cents a/c 1930	Sep. 4, 30
Chinese Estates ..	...	...	...	...	Feb.	85 for year 28-30	July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.							
*Ewo Cotton	14.40	...	14.40/60	...	Apr. and Oct.	Final T. 2 a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton ..	901	...	...	...	Apr. and Oct.	T. 2-25 for half year 31-30	Nov. 20, 30
Zoong Sings	10	...	...	...	June	T. 0.50 for year 28-30	Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.							
*H. K. Tramways ..	17.40	17.30	...	...	Dec.	[Final 2/11 for 1930 making 1/20 for 1930 1929 etc. on old] for year [50 cents on old] 30-30	Pending June 16, 30
Peak Tram (old) ..	...	...	...	...	Apr.	...	...
" (new) ..	...	...	...	...	Apr.	...	...
Star Ferries	392	...	...	...	Dec.	81 for 1930	Pending
*China Light	25	25.15	...	...	Sept.	Final 2/11 for yr. 30-30	Dec. 15, 30
H. K. Electric	...	791	...	...	Dec.	85.50 for 1929	Mar. 15, 30
Macao	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Sandakan Lights ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
H.K. Tel. fully paid	...	...	...	...	June	Int. 10 cents a/c 1930	Aug. 1, 30
" part paid ..	22.00	...	...	...	Dec.	Int. 10 cents a/c 1930	Feb. 25, 30
China Bus	...	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	...
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	...	...	...	...	Sept.	[12% on preference shares Subject to income tax]	Feb. 6, 30
" (Pref.) ..	...	...	...	...	Sept.	...	...
Industrials.							
China Sugars	...	...	...	...	...	In Liquidation	...
Malabon Sugars ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	Pa. 3 for 1929	Apr. 11, 30
Cald: Sugr. Ord. ..	...	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 [T. 0.50] 1 months 1929	Apr. 30, 30
" Pref.	...	...	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Canton Ice	...	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
*Cements (com.) ..	16.70	...	...	...	July	[20 cents on old] [20 cents on new] for 1929	Mar. 10, 30
" (old) ..	112	...	...	...	...	...	...
" (new) ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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CRICKET.

K.C.C. FALL BEFORE NAVAL-
ATTACK.

SURPRISING RESULTS.

The proverbial great uncertainty of the game of cricket was very much in evidence on Saturday, when three big surprises were recorded in local League matches.

The sensation of the afternoon was the collapse of the Kowloon C.C. batting, and their heavy defeat at the hands of the Royal Navy. The University, playing away, caused the fall of Craigengower.

This result rather bears out a suspicion held in some quarters that the C.C.C. had been somewhat overrated. They have already played three matches and have yet to gain a point.

In League II, the Club de Recreo gave the K.C.C. a severe set-back. The Civil Service C.C. are still "going great guns," and intend to make a bold bid for the Junior shield. The Police R.C. seem to have struck a bad patch, and unless they pull themselves together, they will probably stay in their present lowly position.

F. D. Pereira, the I.R.C. "speed merchant" has enhanced his reputation of being one of the best bowlers in the Colony, by performing the "hat trick" in a friendly match with the R.A.

League I.

ROYAL NAVY COLLECT THEIR
FIRST POINTS.

AMAZING COLLAPSE OF K.C.C.

On the K.C.C. ground the Royal Navy defeated the Kowloon Cricket Club by nine wickets. Taking first use of the wicket the home side soon lost E. C. Fincher, but a second wicket stand by Lawrence and Hung added 34 runs before Lawrence was caught off a skiff. He battled aggressively from the opening of the innings and hit one beautiful six.

The breaking up of this partnership spell doom for the K.C.C. as the remaining nine batsmen could only score 46 runs between them.

Hung had a bad luck when given out off a hard straight drive by Zimmerman, which touched the bowler's hand and was deflected on to the wicket with Hung well out of his crease. He had hit half a dozen boundaries in his invaluable contribution of 35. It was indeed a strange sight to witness the dismissal of a strong K.C.C. team for a paltry 80 runs.

Comdr. F. A. C. Baker bowled extremely well during his short spells with the ball and returned the excellent figures of 4 for 12. Mid. Ponsonby captured 3 wickets for 31 runs.

With half an hour's play before the tea interval, the Navy lost Lt. Glass with only three runs on the board. Lt. Comdr. Squire and Sub-Lt. Moseley, however, altered the whole complexion of the game by adding 98 runs for the second wicket and gave their side their first points in five games.

Squire played a fine fighting innings and hit ten boundaries in his innings of 65.

Ponsonby, who came in after the game had been won, scored 55 not out in an innings which was well blended with good and bad shots. He reached the boundary on seven occasions. He and Comdr. Baker added 54 runs for the sixth wicket.

A feature of the Naval innings was the wicket keeping of N. A. E. Mackay. He stumped three batsmen and caught one and allowed only 14 extras in a total of 231.

In a match which displayed the deplorable weakness of the K.C.C. attack, F. Zimmerman returned the splendid figures of 5 wickets for 32 runs.

Kowloon C.C.

E. C. Fincher, b Jowitt 1
F. E. Lawrence, c Glass, b Baker 13
W. C. Hung, run out 35
F. Zimmerman, b Bennett 38
F. Zimmerman, b Bennett 38
F. Zimmerman, c and b Ponsonby 1
J. C. Lyl, c Baker, b Bennett 1

F. Goodwin, c Glass, b Bennett 0
N. A. E. Mackay, c Bennett, b Ponsonby 5
G. C. Burnett, c Bennett, b Ponsonby 4
R. A. Carroll, b Bennett 3
R. G. U. Mead, not out 7
Extras 4

Total 80

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

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F. A. C. Baker, 4 0 22 1

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D. W. Gregory, run out 7
R. E. Lindsey, c and b Pereira 5
H. Overy, not out 11
Extras 11
Total 60

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Sousa 9 2 22 4

Alves 11 2 30 3

Pereira 21 0 8 2

Club de Recreo.

L. J. Gutierrez, lb.w., b Skinner 2

H. A. Alves, lb.w., b Skinner 10

H. M. Xavier, c Jex, b Skinner 10

F. J. Remedios, run out 10

H. A. Barros, b Smith 10

A. P. Pereira, c Gregory, b Skinner 12

CRICKET.

(Continued from Page 10.)

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cairns	2	0	20	0
Saunders	2	0	18	0
Williams	6	3	10	3
Michael	6	0	21	0

Royal Signals.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. Gough, b. Baker	1	0	0	0
Sgt. Lockyer, b. Baker	22	1	0	0
Cpl. Cairns, c. Brittain, b. King	1	0	0	0
Sgt. Williams, c. Brittain, b. Alexander	43	1	0	0
Sgt. Gillatt, c. McMahon, b. Baker	7	0	0	0
Lt. Saunders, c. McMahon, b. Alexander	1	0	0	0
Lt. Higgins, c. Brittain, b. Baker	5	0	0	0
Sgt. Colley, not out	8	0	0	0
Sgt. Michael, b. Baker	1	0	0	0
Sgt. Collins, c. Alexander, b. King	6	0	0	0
Extras	6	0	0	0
Total	80	2	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Baker	11	0	25	4
King	5	1	31	2
Alexander	7	1	17	2
Sparrow	2	0	11	0

Hong Kong C.C. Match.

G. R. MORE'S TRUNDLING IN ANNUAL FIXTURE.

"MARRIED" v. "SINGLE."

Married members test to a "Single" eleven by three wickets in the annual Hong Kong C.C. fixture.

"Married."				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
T. E. Pearce, c. and b. Reid	57	1	0	0
G. R. Sayer, c. Airey, b. Rigg	3	0	0	0
E. J. R. Mitchell, c. Batger, b. Rigg	1	0	0	0
R. H. Wild, c. Airey, b. Rigg	8	0	0	0
E. R. Duckitt, b. More	60	1	0	0
B. D. Evans, b. Rigg	2	0	0	0
E. C. Etherington, c. Gahagan, b. More	17	0	0	0
J. R. Way, c. Rigg, b. More	1	0	0	0
S. J. Stanesby, b. More	0	0	0	0
J. Chadwick, c. Batger, b. Rigg	2	0	0	0
E. R. Reid, not out	3	0	0	0
Extras	3	0	0	0
Total	156	2	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rigg	11	2	41	4
Reid	14	1	37	1
Griffiths	4	0	29	0
Hutchinson	4	0	35	0
More	5	1	8	4
Batger	2	0	12	1

"Single."				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
K. H. Batger, c. Pearce, b. Reid	27	1	0	0
O. E. C. Marton, c. Chadwick, b. Reid	29	1	0	0
R. H. Griffiths, b. Sayer	12	0	0	0
G. R. Sayer, c. Duckitt, b. Reid	23	1	0	0
C. E. Gahagan, b. Reid	9	0	0	0
R. K. Hopburn, c. Etherington, b. Reid	22	1	0	0
R. M. Airey, c. Evans, b. Reid	8	0	0	0
H. F. Green, not out	18	0	0	0
A. Reid, not out	19	0	0	0
Extras	17	0	0	0
Total (for 7 wickets)	171	3	0	0

J. D. A. Hutchinson and W. Rigg did not bat.

LEAGUE I. AVERAGES.

BATTING.				
	Inns.	Runs	Highest Score	Aver.
F. Zimmermann (K.C.C.)	3	66	49	22.00
Et. A. H. Musson (L.R.C.)	3	170	102	56.66
D. J. N. Anderson (L.R.C.)	3	92	69	30.66
G. R. Sayer (C.S.C.C.)	3	129	69	43.00
F. D. Pereira (L.R.C.)	5	136	57	27.20
F. J. de Rome (C.S.C.C.)	3	92	46	30.66
A. A. Rumjahn (L.R.C.)	5	122	40	24.40
S. A. Ismail (L.R.C.)	6	173	71	28.83
A. H. Nadar (L.R.C.)	6	167	59	27.83
O. Ismail (L.R.C.)	5	79	45	15.80
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	3	77	37	25.66
E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)	3	72	71	24.00
A. B. Baker (R.N.)	4	72	21	18.00
A. B. Hanson (C.C.C.)	3	67	38	22.33
A. H. Rumjahn (L.R.C.)	6	82	25	13.66
A. K. Minu (L.R.C.)	5	104	54	20.80

* Denotes not out.
The qualification for the above table is three innings and an average of over 20 runs per match.

BOWLING.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. el Arculli (L.R.C.)	15.3	4	37	5
A. R. Minu (L.R.C.)	62	22	130	17
F. D. Pereira (L.R.C.)	80.4	26	190	24
A. C. Beck (H.K.C.C.)	36.2	6	112	12
Lt. A. H. Musson (R.A.)	41.2	7	133	14

The qualification for the above table is three matches and a bowling average under 10 runs per wicket.

LEAGUE II. AVERAGES.

BATTING.				
	Inns.	Runs	Highest Score	Aver.
F. E. Skinner (K.C.C.)	4	170	100	42.50
S. Randle (C.S.C.C.)	3	145	79	48.33
A. P. Gutierrez (Recreio)	6	107	63	17.83
Lt. Col. Fry (R.A.S.C.)	6	175	63	29.16
J. H. Figueiredo (Recreio)	5	90	50	18.00
R. Sourbaita (C.C.C.)	5	117	70	23.40
A. R. Sulland (L.R.C.)	8	173	40	21.62
E. H. Wild (H.K.C.C.)	5	111	56	22.20
A. R. Hulse (L.R.C.)	8	171	80	21.37
G. Lee (K.C.C.)	6	119	65	19.83
F. J. Remedios (Recreio)	6	119	65	19.83
H. A. Barros (Recreio)	6	111	55	18.50
W. W. Mackenzie (H.K.C.C.)	4	93	40	23.25
V. H. Freeman (C.S.C.C.)	3	62	55	20.66
K. T. Loke (University)	7	41	23	5.85
H. M. Xavier (Recreio)	5	101	48	20.20

The qualification for the above table is three innings and an average of over 20.

BOWLING.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
B. C. K. Hawkins (C.S.C.C.)	32	6	17	7
F. M. el Arculli (L.R.C.)	69.3	28	139	28
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	38	11	78	13
W. H. Edmunds (C.S.C.C.)	31.3	6	92	15
C. M. Souza (Recreio)	40	10	106	15
H. Oviatt (K.C.C.)	31.1	7	78	11
A. P. Gutierrez (Recreio)	29.1	10	60	3
W. O. Pamplin (R.A.S.C.)	16	2	80	1
Dr. Cole (R.A.S.C.)	25.2	2	80	1
M. R. Abbas (L.R.C.)	36	10	112	13
H. A. Alves (Recreio)	47	9	138	16
Lt. Col. Simpson (R.A.S.C.)	66.4	3	210	24
B. Baker (Police)	63.1	6	179	20
P. L. Tan (University)	24.2	8	112	13
J. D. A. Hutchinson (H.K.C.C.)	34.1	3	119	13
A. S. Sulland (L.R.C.)	34	11	110	12
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	11.1	3	38	4
J. Chadwick (H.K.C.C.)	62	8	103	17
R. S. Baker (Police)	31.8	10	77	8
R. Sourbaita (C.C.C.)	44.5	8	108	20
Lt. Col. Meehan (R.E.)	33.1	8	113	11

The qualification for the above table is two matches and an average under 10 runs per wicket.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reed	15	1	78	4
Duckitt	5	0	17	1
Sayer	5	0	38	1
Chadwick	2	1	7	0
Evans	5	1	10	1

I.R.C. BOWLER'S EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE.

R.A. LOSE.

At Sookunpoon, the Indian R.C. defeated the Royal Artillery by three wickets.

Royal Artillery.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. Wolfe-Barry, c. S. A. Ismail, b. Pereira	18	1	0	0
Lt. Hazlewood, c. Curcum, b. Pereira	6	0	0	0
Lt. B. Camber, b. A. R. E. Minu	5	0	0	0
Lt. Musson, c. Madar, b. Arculli	35	1	0	0
Lt. Christian, b. Pereira	9	0	0	0
Lt. Macfarlan, not out	27	1	0	0
Capt. Miller, c. Madar, b. Arculli	2	0	0	0
Capt. Salmon, b. Madar	4	0	0	0
Edr. Willis, b. A. S. Ismail	0	0	0	0
Cnr. Ellington, run out	18	1	0	0
Extras	18	0	0	0
Total	128	4	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pereira	12	3	28	4
A. R. Minu	9	1	34	2
Arculli	4	0	25	2
Curcum	2	0	9	0
Madar	2	0	9	0
A. S. Ismail	2	0	5	1

Indian R.C.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
S. A. Ismail, b. Willis	9	0	0	0
A. el Arculli, c. Salmon, b. Miller	35	1	0	0
A. H. Madar, c. and b. Bryant	1	0	0	0
O. Ismail, not out	47	1	0	0
E. D. Pereira, c. Christian, b. Musson	18	1	0	0
A. K. Minu, b. Macfarlan	15	1	0	0
A. S. Ismail, c. and b. Salmon	1	0	0	0
A. H. Rumjahn, c. Musson, b. Macfarlan	6	0	0	0
J. S. A. Curcum, run out	4	0	0	0
Extras	4	0	0	0
Total (for 9 wickets)	141	4	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Miller	5	0	13	1
Willis	2	0	16	1
Bryant	6	0	34	1
Musson	4	0	32	1
Macfarlan	6	0	27	2
Salmon	6	0	15	2

LEAGUE TABLES.

League I.				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
I.R.C.	4	5	1	0
C.S.C.C.	4	2	1	1
R.A.	3	2	0	1
University	3	2	0	1
K.C.C.	3	0	3	0
Navy	3	0	1	2
K.C.C.	3	0	1	2
C.C.C.	3	0	0	3

League II.				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
I.R.C.	7	0	4	2
C.S.C.C.	5	5	0	0
Recreio	5	4	1	1
H.K.C.C.	7	3	1	3
R.A.S.C.	7	2	1	4
University	6	1	3	2
Police	6	1	1	4
R.C.S.	8	1	0	7
R.E.	3	0	0	3

FINE PLAY BY GITTINS AND REID.

VOLUNTEERS v. K.C.C.

At the K.C.C. yesterday the Hong Kong Volunteers defeated the Kowloon Cricket Club by 69 runs.

Winning the toss, E. J. R. Mitchell sent in Batger and Mackay to open the Volunteers' innings. The pair batted confidently, but at 23, Batger was the victim of a misunderstanding and was run out for 7. Mackay and Griffiths by enterprising batting carried the score to 72 before Mackay mistimed a shot when 27 and was easily caught. Griffiths, who had been collecting runs rapidly, left six runs later for a forceful innings of 30.

Gittins and Mitchell saw the century hoisted, but immediately after the latter was beautifully caught by E. C. Fincher in the long field.

Four wickets then fell for an addition of only 31 runs, but a ninth wicket partnership added 40 runs and the last wicket put on 30 runs to make the total 201.

S. V. Gittins, going in at 78, was undefeated at the close of the innings with 78 to his credit. He played an aggressive innings after a quiet opening and reached the boundary on thirteen occasions. He scored 78 out of 123 in just over an hour.

Bowling last in the innings, Skinner returned the good analysis of 5-2-14-4, and Zimmerman took 3 wickets for 29 runs.

Faced with this formidable total the K.C.C. opened shakily, Lawrence giving three difficult chances in consecutive balls. At 20 E. F. Fincher was taken in the slips and 8 runs later Hung fell to a catch at cover point. After an innings which was featured by good fortune Lawrence was taken in the slips off Reid for 22. Zimmerman played very shakily on a pitch which was cutting up badly, but he managed to remain at the wickets while 26 runs were added, before playing a ball hard on to his wicket.

E. C. Fincher was out in exactly the same way 46 runs later. With six wickets down for 109 runs the home side was in a hopeless position. But a spirited innings of 31 from Gregory took their total to 132 before the side was dismissed.

Bowling extraordinarily well on a pitch which suited him, Reid was unfortunate not to take more than two wickets. He beat the batsman time and again but failed to hit the wicket. He was hit for one six but in the majority of cases he was unplayable.

Volunteers.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
K. H. Batger, run out	7	0	0	0
N. A. E. Mackay, c. Lyl, b. E. F. Fincher	27	1	0	0
P. H. Griffiths, c. Lawrence, b. Zimmerman	30	1	0	0
S. V. Gittins, not out	78	1	0	0
E. J. R. Mitchell, c. E. C. Fincher, b. Skinner	1	0	0	0
E. S. W. Smith, b. Zimmerman	8	0	0	0
J. P. Whitham, b. Skinner	1	0	0	0
A. Reid, c. E. F. Fincher, b. Skinner	0	0	0	0
J. D. A. Hutchinson, c. Cavney, b. Skinner	0	0	0	0
G. C. Burnett, c. Skinner, b. Lyl	10	0	0	0
R. H. D. Wade, b. Zimmerman	1	0	0	0
Extras	15	0	0	0
Total	201	4	0	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hung	12	2	50	0
Lyl	9	1	52	1
F. F. Fincher	6	0	18	4
Zimmermann	6.1	0	29	3
Skinner	5	2	14	4
E. C. Fincher	3	0	23	0

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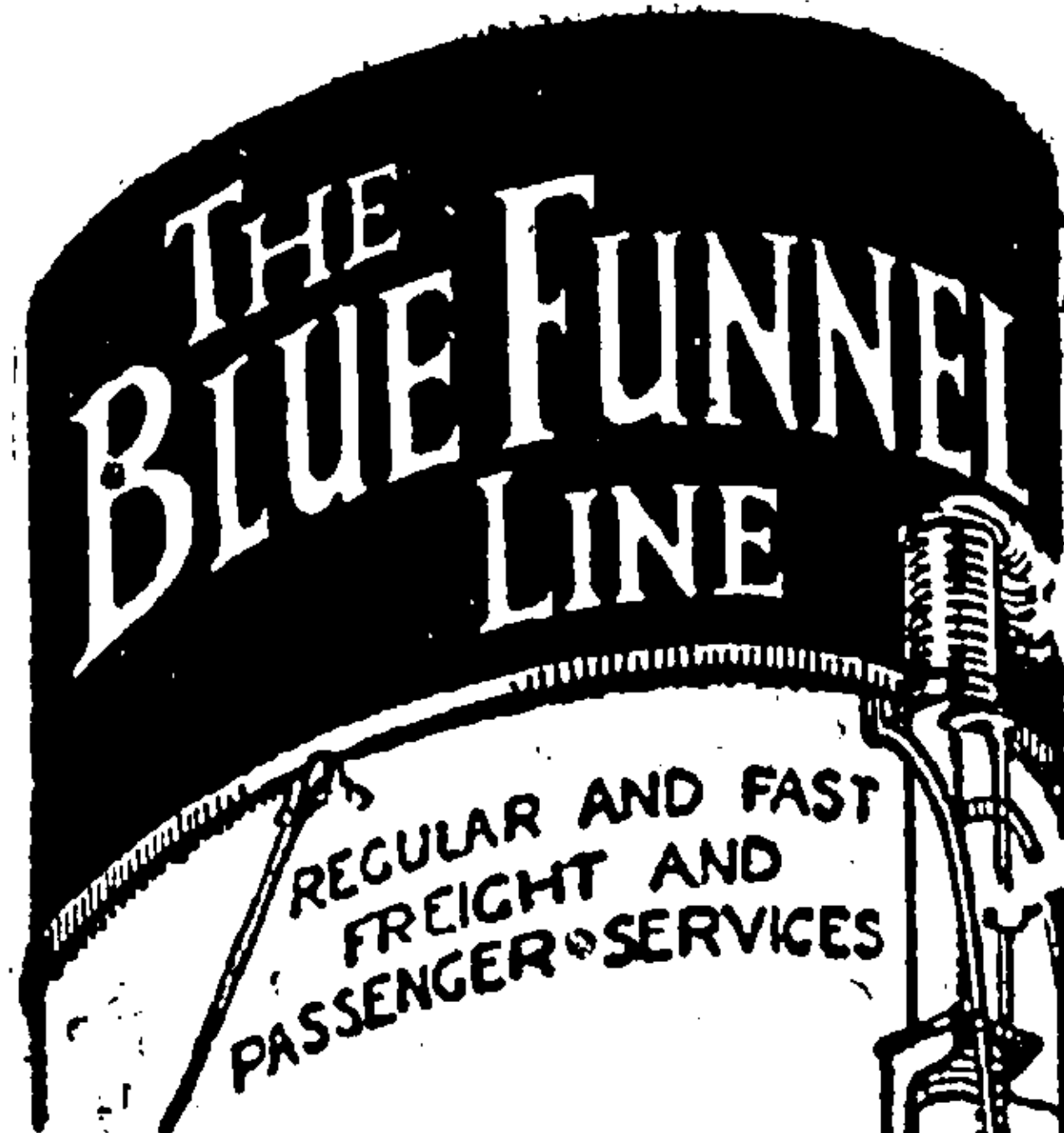
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MANTON SHOOTING AFFAIR.

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shots went off, you were leaning forward.—Yes; slightly.
 What sort of chair were you sitting on?—An ordinary dining chair with open back.
 Everything you saw there was consistent with the possibility of an accident?
 Replying to this question, witness said that with anybody handling a revolver for the first time anything might happen. He would not like to be in the same room with his friend, if the latter had a revolver.
 Mr. Hodgson—How far was she away?—About two or three feet away.
 She could have—without you knowing—come right up to you and fired straight into your head?—Yes.
 I take it she had nothing to gain by shooting you?—Nothing to gain.
 What sort of state did you leave her in?—As far as I can recollect, I took the revolver from her, threw her on the floor, called the amah, put on my hat, and walked out.
 "Shoot Me."
 When you were going out did she say something to you?—Yes. She said: "Shoot me before you go."
 Did you see her in the No. 2 Police Station a little later?—No, sir.
 Mr. Fitzroy—Was that the first time that you had seen the revolver that day?—Yes sir.
 You have never before seen the revolver in your flat?—No, never.
 The next witness called was the amah, Chan To, who said that on the day in question she was in the kitchen when the firing took place. She went to the door and saw Mr. Manton with a revolver in his hand, but did not see the accused.
 She went out with the object of calling a policeman but did not do so, instead of going to Mrs. Xavier's sister-in-law's house. On her return she saw the accused near the kitchen standing alone. Witness asked her "What happened?" and accused answered "I have shot the master dead."
 Mr. Fitzroy—Anything else?
 The amah—I immediately demanded my wages. (Laughter.)
 Brother-in-Law's Revolver.
 Mr. Reinaldo Gustavo Xavier assistant manager of the Hong Kong Printing Press, and residing at 4, Hanoi Road Kowloon, said that he was brother-in-law of accused. He identified the revolver and bullets as his, and explained that he kept the arms in a locked drawer in his house. He only got to know of their disappearance, through a letter which he received between 1.30 and 2.30 p.m. on December 27. He was positive that the handwriting on the letter was that of the accused.
 The hearing was adjourned to this afternoon.

SUING A DENTIST.

SET OF TEETH DETAINED FOR A DEBT.

At the town of Arad, in the Banat, a chemist wanted to get his set of teeth repaired by a dentist. The dentist removed the teeth, but said he would not return the set until the chemist's wife had paid a bill which had been owing for a year.
 The chemist was obliged to eat for several days without his artificial teeth, and is suing the dentist for consequent damage to his health.

ECHO OF BRUTAL CRIME.

Man Buried Alive Four Years Ago.

A crime which was committed in Singapore in 1927 was mentioned before Mr. G. E. Clayton, the Second Police Magistrate, Singapore, on January 14 when a Chinese who has just returned from China was charged with murder and remanded for further inquiries.
 In December, 1927, a Chinese police informer, who was decoyed to Thomson Road, was found buried in the Chinese cemetery, and Inspector D. W. Dale, of Kandang Kerbau division, arrested three of five suspects in connection with the crime. The three men were subsequently tried before the Singapore Assizes and one was convicted and sentenced to death. Others suspected of the crime disappeared from the country.
 Inspector Dale was responsible for the arrest of the present accused, who is stated to have returned from China recently.

LANCASHIRE COTTON WAGES.

Weavers Oppose Employers' Terms.

London, Dec. 16.
 There is a possibility of trouble in the Lancashire cotton trade as the result of the Northern Counties Textile Federation's decision to support the Weavers' Amalgamation in opposing the employers' proposal to introduce on January 5 a new scale of wages and a new system under which each weaver will work more looms. A special delegate conference of the Weavers' Amalgamation will meet at Manchester on Saturday to decide upon future action.

MURDER CHARGE AGAINST EURASIAN.

Three-Year Old Orphan Gives Evidence.

Singapore, Jan. 17.
 The Second Magistrate, Mr. G. E. Clayton yesterday recorded evidence in connection with the charges of murder and assault against a Eurasian named Especkerman who is alleged to have struck B. E. Dendekker with a heavy blunt instrument, causing his death and also with assaulting his 11-year-old daughter and Chinese maid-servant, who were seriously injured but recovered.
 A pathetic note was struck when the children of the deceased gave evidence. Jane said she remembered nothing beyond waking up in hospital. She knew the accused, who was a lodger in their house, and she recalled a previous occasion when he entered her bedroom while she was asleep. She awoke and he begged her not to tell her father.
 Bernard, the three-year-old son, said he saw the accused push his daddy, also his sister and the servant girl. His sister was unable to walk as a result of a cut over the head. He was afraid of the accused. The enquiry was adjourned.

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